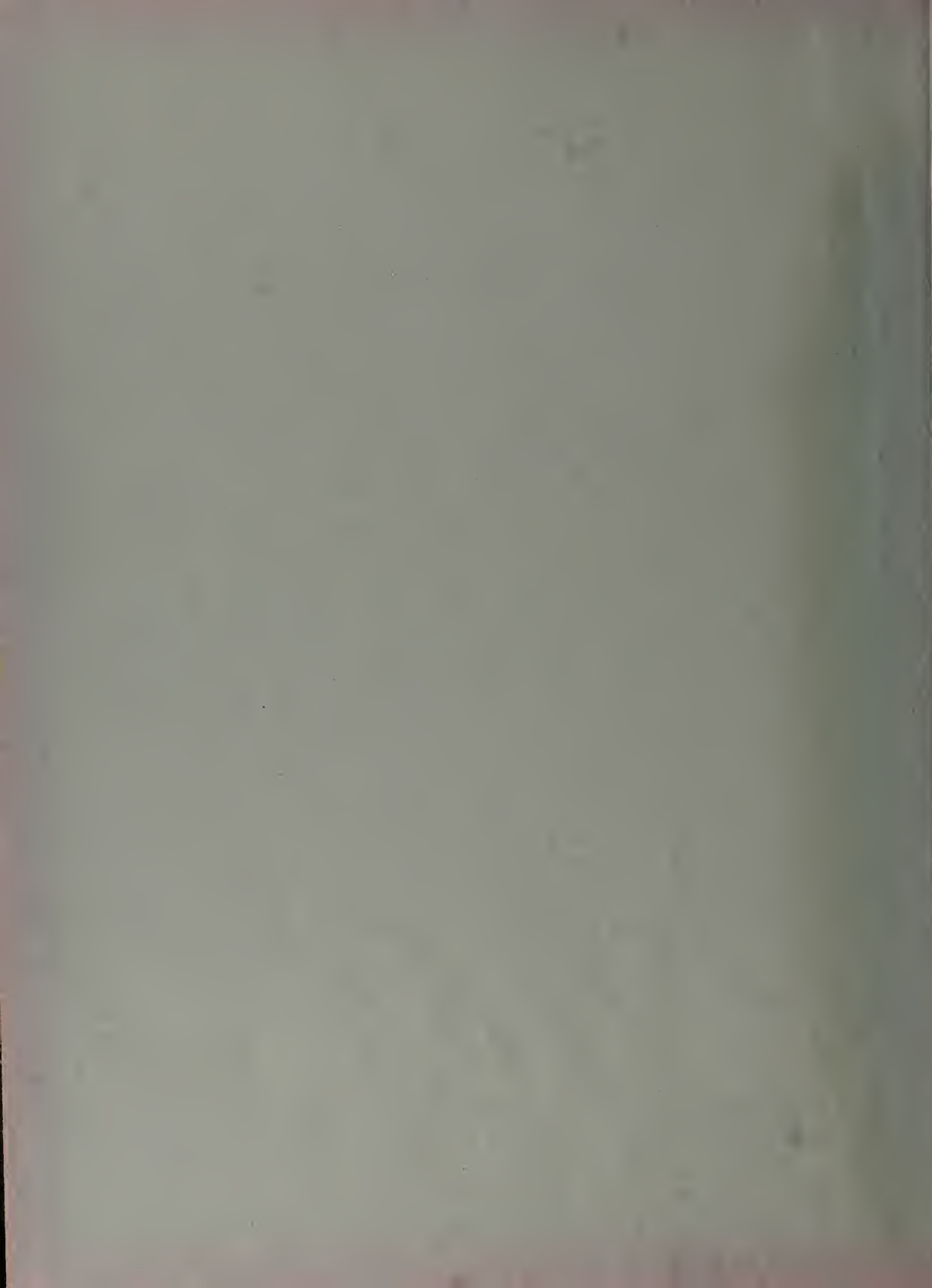


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A GRATIFYING SPECTACLE: AN HONOR TO OUR COUNTRY AND OUR
STATE: OBJECTS OF HONEST PRIDE TO THEIR INSTRUCTORS AND FAIR
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Foreword

Stroll through the stately campus of Washington and Lee on a Wednesday or Saturday afternoon or on a Sunday, and the chances are that you will see ahead of you, approaching on the walk, two or three or more youths in the gray-clad uniform of the "West Point of the South." Watch closely . . . as the VMI cadets pass . . . the chapel that houses the tomb of Robert E. Lee. The talk and laughter cease, the boyish forms straighten with soldierly erectness, and one and all salute with military precision at the exact moment they pass . . . the tomb.

The laughter and careless chatter break out again; the cadets pass on. But there is something about that spectacle that has stirred the blood of the beholder and will not allow him to forget . . . Day or night it is always the same . . . no VMI cadet passes . . . save at respectful salute.



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THE Class of 1955 is honored to be able to dedicate the 1955 BOMB to two outstanding members of the Institute. It is not often that an opportunity is presented for a class to honor two such worthy men, and we of the Class of 1955 are gratified to dedicate the 1955 BOMB to Col. William Couper and Col. Raymond Dixon.

CATION



Every member of the Corps or, for that matter, anyone who has come into contact with Col. Dixon is impressed by his kindness and sincere interest in them, their studies and their problems. As head of the English Department, he has guided the Liberal Arts into a leading position at V. M. I. His affection for the Corps and his deep interest in improving V. M. I. have made Col. Dixon a name that is a fitting memorial to his thirty-six years of service. To fill the gap left by his retirement will be the job of time, but his work will always be a foundation on which we can feel secure.

In his forty years of association with V. M. I. Col. Conper has rendered valuable services that have increased the prestige of the Institute. In spite of his excellence as Business Administrator, it is as Historiographer that Col. Conper is famous. His complete records on cadets and his *One Hundred Years at V. M. I.* are monuments to his work and love for the Institute and the Corps. V. M. I. is very fortunate to have such a man, and his retirement marks a deep loss to the Institute.

The Institute

IN our four years here, the Institute has come to mean more to us than barracks or a set of regulations. We now realize that it is indeed the "spirit" that has made VMI great and that this spirit is symbolized by the Institute.



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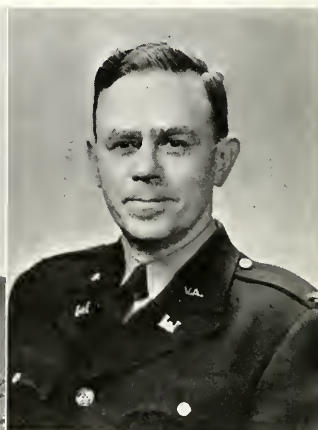
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MILITARY SCIENCE



LT. COL. HENRY C. KERLIN

Professor of Military Science

From the fundamentals of drill and basic courses during the first year, a cadet rapidly advances in training that includes specialization in his own particular branch, which can be Infantry, Artillery, or Armor. The military science course includes a six-week period of practical work in summer camp at the end of a cadet's second class year. The instruction well prepares a cadet for his stretch in the U. S. Army.



Officers L. to R.: Capt. Phaup, Capt. McDonald, Maj. Woodrich, Lt. Col. Butler, Capt. Hicens, Maj. Street, Capt. Farr

AIR SCIENCE

LT. COL. G. E. BUTLER

Professor of Air Science

Offering specialization in Logistics, Installations, or Flight, the Air Science course proceeds from basic instruction in drill and fundamental courses into advanced training in special fields. The cadets are given an opportunity to actually fly from nearby fields and take trips to the air centers in Virginia. A graduate is well qualified to make a career in the Air Force.





L. to R.: Capt. Gupton, Col. Carroll, Maj. Cormack, Capt. Reeves

BIOLOGY



The Biology, or as it is popularly called the Pre-Med course, offers one of the most rounded and organized courses at VMI. The Pre-Meds are in contact with every department from Chemistry to English. Col. Carroll directs his boys with so much skill that they can get into any med school in the country without any trouble. Their fine records at graduate schools in the past prove that this department is one of the most able at VMI.

COL. CARROLL



CROZET HALL



*Seated: Lt. Col. Wise, Col. German, Col. Ritchey, Lt. Col. Smart
Standing: Maj. Mundy, Capt. Webb, Capt. White, Lt. Col. Pickral, Dr. Heric*

CHEMISTRY



Boasting a distinguished and educated faculty, the Chemistry Department is first the bete noire of Rats in the Rat Chemistry course. Then the Pre-Meds and Chemists meet it again their third class year. After a wicked thrust to the Pre-Meds with Organic in the first class year, as well as Physical Chemistry for the Chemistry majors, the Chemistry Department can be satisfied that it has done its best to prepare cadets for med school or business.

COL. LESLIE GERMAN



MAURY BROOKE HALL



L. to R.: Col. Mann, Capt. Crimm, Col. Marr, Maj. McDonough, Capt. Gillespie, Lt. Col. Morgan

CIVIL ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT



Guiding this year's record class of Civils would be a job in any man's way of thinking. However, as usual, "Buzz" and his staff were able to do this in fine style. As Civils, we appreciate the fine job they did for us. Especially outstanding were the efforts of Lt. Colonel J. M. Morgan; future classes have something to look forward to. Any article about the Civil Engineering Department eventually gets back to Colonel Marr because in many ways he and the Department are synonymous. We will remember the Colonel most vividly as he groomed us for the many job interviews he had arranged. It is our sincere hope that our life will be as productive as that of Colonel R. A. Marr, Jr.

COL. R. A. MARR



VIRGINIA MOURNING HER DEAD



L. to R.: Maj. Nichols, Gen. Anderson, Col. Jamison, Mr. Kwei

ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING



Vaunting one of the hardest courses at VMI, the EE Department is rapidly expanding its course. Taking its crack at the Civils in Thermo, the EE Dept. also makes its own men sweat with AC circuits, etc. The graduate in EE does not lack opportunities in the technical world of today, as is evidenced by the many fine jobs the EE's have landed.

GEN. STEWART ANDERSON



MEMORIAL GARDENS



Faculty, Seated l. to r.: Lt. Col. Tutwiler, Col. Dillard, Col. Dixon, Lt. Col. Lipscomb
Standing, l. to r.: Mr. Beaty, Capt. Simpson, Capt. Ball, Capt. Miller, Maj. Roth,
Capt. Owen, Maj. Regh, Mr. Kimmey

ENGLISH



Although handicapped by the loss of the Academic Building, the English Department has continued its energetic expansion. Adding new instructors and making a complete overhaul of the course, the English Department is one of the more progressive in the South. Col. Dixon's retirement after thirty-six years of service will be a loss, but with Col. Dillard's able direction the Department will continue to expand.

The basic course in English taken during the Rat year is all many cadets get to know of the English Department. However the English majors rapidly begin to concentrate their studies during the third class year, and continue in basic literature and cultural courses for the remainder of their cadetship.

The new Liberal Arts Placement Service proved that the English majors could successfully compete for jobs. A salute to VMI's fastest growing department.

COL. RAYMOND DIXON



PRESTON LIBRARY



*Faculty, Seated: Lt. Col. Townes, Col. Fuller, Maj. Goolrick
Standing: Maj. Wilson, Maj. Welsh, Maj. Gilliam, Capt. Barrett, Capt. Drumm,
Capt. Hunter*

HISTORY AND ECONOMICS



Headed by Col. Fuller, the History Department joins the English Department in trying to give cadets a well rounded education. From the fourth class year until the third class year, all cadets come into contact with a course under the History Department. The History majors begin to specialize in their second class year, and their career culminates with a course in contemporary events in the first class.

COL. JOHN FULLER



JACKSON MEMORIAL HALL



Faculty, L. to R.: Col. Millner, Capt. Simpson, Col. Moseley, Capt. Piercy, Lt. Col. Lancaster

LANGUAGE



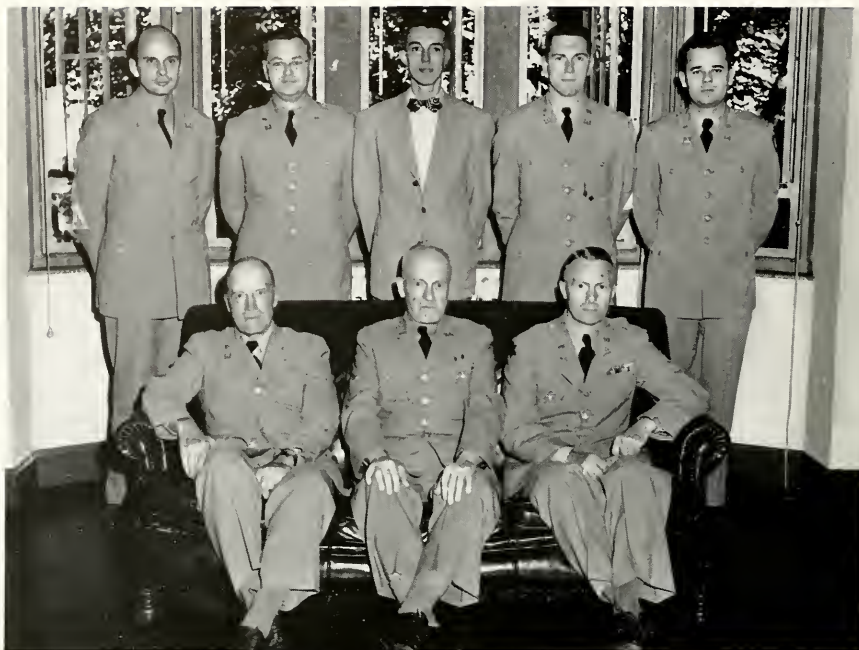
At VMI the Foreign Language Departments offer a basic course in French, German, and Spanish. Each course offers the student the fundamentals without making language a major course.

Taken by arts and science students alike, the languages are available in four year or two year courses. A graduate can feel confident in any field with the basic knowledge acquired from the Snapper, Foofu, or Pancho.

COL. T. A. E. MOSELEY



NEW ADDITION TO SCOTT-SHIPH HALL



*Faculty, Seated: Col. Purdie, Col. Byrne, Lt. Col. Ax
Standing: Capt. Saunders, Capt. Clark, Mr. Oehring, Capt. Lambert, Capt. Martin*

MATH DEPARTMENT



With the retirement of Col. Mayo last year a vital part of V. M. I. tradition was lost. The new corps will miss B. D.'s acquaintance with the engineer of the "Virginia Creeper," his chalk and wire game, and above all his classic method of closing the transom. But still the math department gets a chance at all cadets. Even the L. A. Rats have to take a year of algebra and trig. All of the engineers struggle through algebra, trig and three semesters of calculus. After that the physicists and electricals move on to differential equations and advanced calculus.

This year, under the direction of Col. Byrne, the math department gave two new courses. Capt. Saunders taught a course in logic from a mathematical viewpoint to a few biology and L. A. Rats, and Col. Byrne and Mr. Oehring gave an optional course in advanced operational calculus to the first class physicists and E. E.'s. It is evident that the math department is continuing its progressive ways.

COL. BYRNE



WASHINGTON'S STATUE



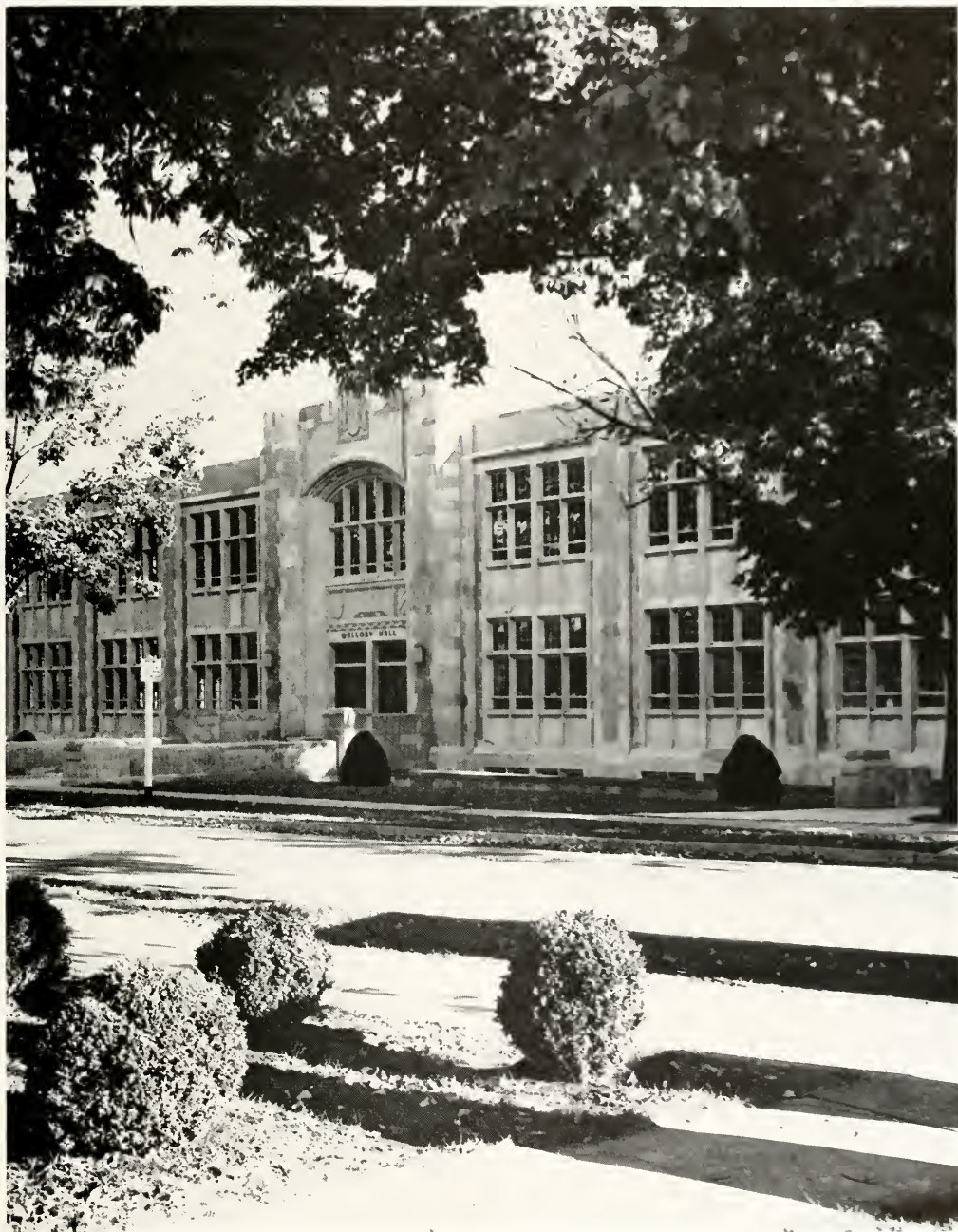
*Seated: Col. Weaver, Col. Heflin, Col. Foster
Standing: Lt. Col. Newman, Capt. Ragland, Capt. Vannoy, Lt. Mayo*

PHYSICS



With the erection of Mallory Hall, the Physics Department is the best housed and equipped department at VMI. Teaching courses in Physics to a large number of cadets, this department also manages to have an excellent course for the Physics majors. From GE to Du Pont, companies rush to grab the new graduates in Physics. Col. Heflin has done an excellent job in directing this department to its present high level.

COL. S. M. HEFLIN



MALLORY HALL



COL. ROBERT L. BATES

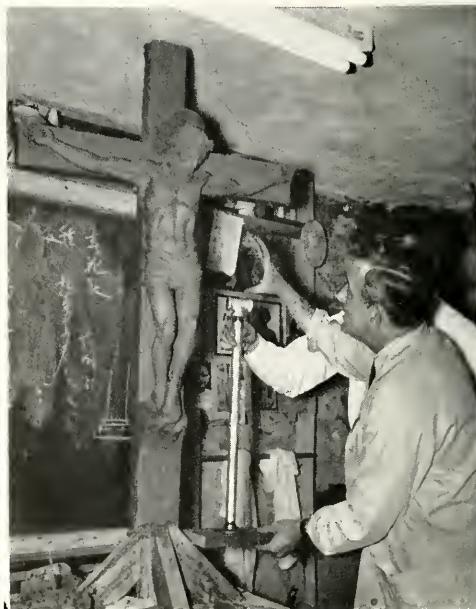
Department of Philosophy and Psychology

Working single handedly, Col. Bates teaches one of the heaviest loads of any instructor and still manages to do a good job. His courses are designed to give cadets a basic understanding of general psychology and also to help the Liberal Arts in teaching a course in the History of Philosophy.

MR. WILLIAM M. SIMPSON

History of Art

Mr. Simpson came to VMI three years ago and in a short time has managed to have one of the most interesting and popular courses at the Institute. His Art class is a conglomeration of LA's, Pre-Meds, Civils, etc. He directs the activities in the studio (popularly called the Hideaway) of those cadets who are artistically inclined. Mr. Simpson is a most popular instructor at the Institute and a valuable contributor to the cadets' life here.





LT. COL. JOHN E. TOWNES

As advisor to the BOMB for many years, Col. Townes has, as usual, done his sterling job for us this year. Without his help and timely advice we could not produce our book. We of the 1955 BOMB sincerely tender our gratitude to Col. Townes.

LT. COL. HERBERT A. JACOB

As Secretary to the Alumni Foundation, Col. Jacob is one of the busiest men on the VMI post. Although little known by cadets, Col. Jacob is constantly working to improve the Institute.



The Corps

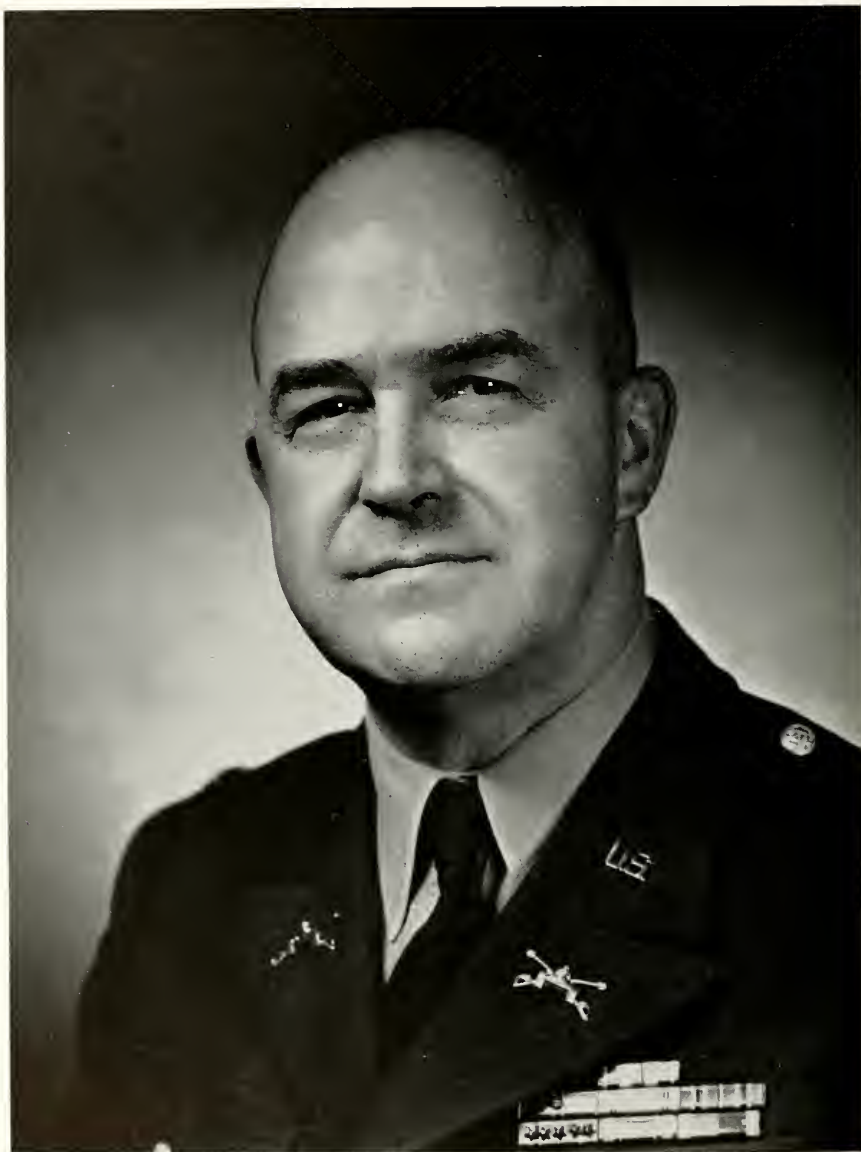
THE CORPS has perhaps, by its very closeness with the constant military system, affected us more than any part of our life here. Our disappointments and successes here have taught us much that will be valuable to us in our lives — whether they be citizen or soldier.



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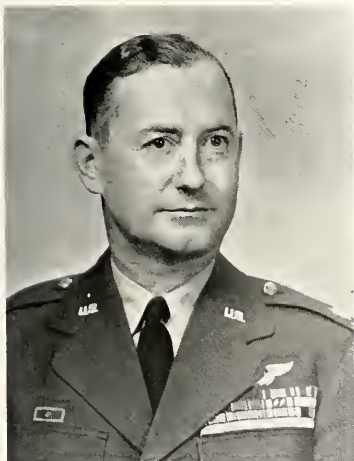
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Capt. C. H. Webb, Jr., Capt. J. F. Webber, Lt. Col. W. C. Glover*



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C. FRED DREYER
Color Sgt.



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Lexington, Virginia

GENERAL ORDERS NUMBER 38

15 June 1954

I. APPOINTMENTS IN REGIMENT OF CADETS

1. All appointments of officers and non-commissioned officers in the Regiment of Cadets heretofore in effect are revoked.
2. The following appointments in the Regiment of Cadets, effective Tuesday, 16 June 1954, and with relative rank and assignment as shown, are announced:

TO BE CADET CAPTAINS

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| 1. Thompson, R. C., Jr. | <i>Regimental Commander</i> | 3. Sauder, W. C. | <i>Regimental Plans and Training Officer (S-3)</i> |
| 2. Sage, R. S. | <i>Commander, First Battalion</i> | 9. Sidney, J. | <i>Regimental Supply Officer (S-4)</i> |
| 3. Rennicks, B. S., Jr. | <i>Commander, Second Battalion</i> | 10. Fulgham, W. M. | <i>Commander, Company B</i> |
| 4. Kerlin, W. T. | <i>Regimental Adjutant (S-1)</i> | 11. Jones, G. L. III | <i>Commander, Company D</i> |
| 5. McManusay, J. L. | <i>Commander, Company A</i> | 12. Sutherland, R. C. | <i>Commander, Regimental Band</i> |
| 6. Rutherford, E. H. | <i>Commander, Company E</i> | 13. Penny, A. L. | <i>Commander, Company F</i> |
| 7. Adams, G. S. | <i>Commander, Company C</i> | | |

TO BE CADET FIRST LIEUTENANTS

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| 1. Filer, R. H. | <i>S-3, Second Battalion</i> | 8. Gary, J. H. III | <i>Company A</i> |
| 2. Dean, C. W. | <i>Company C</i> | 9. Hart, J. P. III | <i>S-4, First Battalion</i> |
| 3. Almy, W. D. | <i>Company B</i> | 10. Angle, B. L. | <i>S-4, Second Battalion</i> |
| 4. Lawson, K. F. | <i>S-3, First Battalion</i> | 11. McGrader, B. L. | <i>Company D</i> |
| 5. Robertson, J. W. | <i>S-1, Second Battalion</i> | 12. Baker, R. C., Jr. | <i>S-1, First Battalion</i> |
| 6. Patane, R. I. | <i>Company E</i> | 13. Campbell, D. T. H., Jr. | <i>Regimental Band</i> |
| 7. Meeker, D. E. | <i>Company F</i> | | |

TO BE CADET SECOND LIEUTENANTS

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| 1. Sherry, C. A. (B) | 3. Anshacher, R. (B) | 15. Massie, J. D. (B) |
| 2. Williams, S. P. (A) | 9. Baskett, D. T., Jr. (A) | 16. Beale, R. S. (A) |
| 3. Fitch, R. E. (F) | 10. Byrd, C. F. (F) | 17. Harris, N. S. (F) |
| 4. Morgan, J. L. (E) | 11. Brenner, J. R. (E) | 18. Kulp, C. G., Jr. (E) |
| 5. Pettysjohn, M. W., Jr. (C) | 12. Coleman, R. C. (C) | 19. Trice, J. A. (C) |
| 6. Marshall, S. W. III (Band) | 13. Semmes, B. W. L., Jr. (Band) | 20. Jones, B. E. (Band) |
| 7. Osborne, E. N., Jr. (D) | 14. Harris, W. O., Jr. (D) | 21. Belenky, M. M. (D) |

TO BE CADET REGIMENTAL SERGEANT MAJOR

Bittner, R. B.

TO BE CADET FIRST SERGEANTS

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| 1. Stevenson, F. N., Jr. (E) | 4. Wiggins, F. S. (D) | 6. Weinert, S. L., Jr. (Band) |
| 2. Iley, R. C., Jr. (C) | 5. Foster, J. H. (A) | 7. Mears, W. W. (B) |
| 3. Pendleton, E., Jr. (F) | | |

TO BE CADET REGIMENTAL SUPPLY SERGEANT

Wingate, P. G.

TO BE CADET COLOR SERGEANTS

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| 1. Brower, G. H. | 2. Dreyer, C. F., Jr. |
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TO BE CADET SUPPLY SERGEANTS

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| 1. Claud, G. A. (B) | 4. Brawner, J. N. III (E) | 6. Geiglein, J. E. (F) |
| 2. Wilson, F. C. (C) | 5. Barker, T. R., Jr. (D) | 7. Pittman, J. P. (A) |

TO BE CADET SERGEANTS

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| 1. Schoen, C. C. III (B) | 13. Menefee, W. P. (Band) | 25. Penn, G. E., Jr. (E) | 37. McCrary, P. K. (A) |
| 2. Duryea, W. H. (A) | 14. Graham, W. H. (D) | 26. Lamb, L. W. (C) | 38. Westerman, W. M. (F) |
| 3. Johnson, L. E., Jr. (F) | 15. Ramsey, J. C. (B) | 27. Morrison, B. P. (Band) | 39. Alexander, W. W. (E) |
| 4. Flemings, F. J., Jr. (E) | 16. Schwan, A., Jr. (A) | 28. Kay, W. K., Jr. (D) | 40. Rossie, W. L., Jr. (C) |
| 5. Lo, F. C.-C. (C) | 17. Morrison, R. C., Jr. (F) | 29. Black, J. R. (B) | 41. Custard, N. L. (Band) |
| 6. Real, R. J. (Band) | 18. Holsinger, R. W. III (E) | 30. Aulick, C. E., Jr. (A) | 42. Montagna, S. D. II (D) |
| 7. Hale, J. W. (D) | 19. Stokes, W. M. III (C) | 31. Frost, T. H. (F) | 43. Foster, P. W., Jr. (B) |
| 8. Clark, L. H., Jr. (B) | 20. Tipton, J. A. IV (Band) | 32. Thompson, F. E., Jr. (E) | 44. Belsha, L. B., Jr. (A) |
| 9. Emrick, C. W. (A) | 21. Williams, G. S. (D) | 33. Allison, T. W. (C) | 45. Mack, J. B., Jr. (F) |
| 10. McKinnon, F. W. (F) | 22. Olinger, R. R. (B) | 34. Van Fossen, W. L. (Band) | 46. Zitz, J. S. (E) |
| 11. Nelson, W. O., Jr. (E) | 23. Miller, W. J., Jr. (A) | 35. Johnson, R. G. (D) | 47. Prizzi, J. A. (C) |
| 12. Thomas, C. R. (C) | 24. Lavery, C. V. (F) | 36. Thurmond, J. V., Jr. (B) | 48. Kanaa, E. W., Jr. (D) |

TO BE CADET CORPORALS

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| 1. Mixson, J. G. (B) | 22. Fox, D. R. II (B) | 43. Hancock, I. L. III (B) | 63. Wills, W. C. III (D) |
| 2. Hammond, L. D. (A) | 23. Fravel, R. K. (A) | 44. Yon, J. L., Jr. (A) | 64. Tate, J. H. (B) |
| 3. Moore, W. R., Jr. (F) | 24. Piggott, J. A. (F) | 45. Spivey, J. M. III (F) | 65. Wagner, W. A. (A) |
| 4. Collier, R. E. (E) | 25. Fletcher, E. C. (E) | 46. Wolf, V. F., Jr. (E) | 66. Peters, P. B. (F) |
| 5. Heckmann, B. D. (C) | 26. Lawrence, H. C. (C) | 47. Hammond, F. H. III (F) | 67. McKibben, C. F. (E) |
| 6. Niedermayer, G. H. (Band) | 27. Nichols, S. E., Jr. (Band) | 48. Moore, R. H. (Band) | 68. Cohen, F. J. (C) |
| 7. Kallels, N. (D) | 28. Brooks, W. S. (D) | 49. Parker, C. E. (D) | 69. Rust, J. W., Jr. (Band) |
| 8. O'Donohue, W. J., Jr. (B) | 29. Fischer, R. L. (B) | 50. Schladtitz, C. T. (B) | 70. MacKay, R. G., Jr. (D) |
| 9. Landis, J. P. (A) | 30. Mathews, C. B. (A) | 51. Massey, T. N. (A) | 71. Davis, R. L., Jr. (B) |
| 10. Turley, J. J., Jr. (F) | 31. Honecutt, H. C., Jr. (F) | 52. Huffcutt, W. H. II (F) | 72. Eldredge, R. B. (A) |
| 11. Sessoms, D. V. P. III (E) | 32. Warner, H. H. (E) | 53. Harden, J. L. (E) | 73. Suenar, R. R. (F) |
| 12. Hargrave, M. I., Jr. (C) | 33. Phillips, P. D., Jr. (C) | 54. Kidwell, W. E. (C) | 74. Murray, G. E., Jr. (E) |
| 13. Musser, J. G. (Band) | 34. McManus, R. G. (Band) | 55. Doty, M. H., Jr. (Band) | 75. St. George, J. R., Jr. (C) |
| 14. Whitfield, E. P., Jr. (D) | 35. Miller, P. O., Jr. (D) | 56. Hunt, R. Y. (D) | 76. McKeel, W. T., Jr. (D) |
| 15. Burns, R. W., Jr. (B) | 36. Nueken, W. L. III (B) | 57. Vail, R. B. (B) | 77. Gabb, T. J., Jr. (B) |
| 16. Diuguid, L. H. (A) | 37. Clapp, W. M., Jr. (A) | 58. Hays, T. E., Jr. (A) | 78. Alexander, R. D. (A) |
| 17. Morecock, R. H. (F) | 38. Dowdy, C. C. (F) | 59. Matcic, J. A. (F) | 79. Powell, T. E. III (F) |
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| 19. Woodward, J. E., Jr. (C) | 40. Haas, W. E. (C) | 61. Saunders, R. T., Jr. (C) | 81. Salter, G. R., Jr. (C) |
| 20. Jamison, D. K. (Band) | 41. Brown, R. C., Jr. (Band) | 62. Sneed, J. E. (Band) | 82. Griggs, O. H. (D) |
| 21. Gilmore, W. F. (D) | 42. Sydnor, G. W., Jr. (D) | | |

II. LEAVE OF ABSENCE: Leave of absence until 4 p. m. Monday, 13 September 1954 is hereby granted all cadets. Cadets returning from furlough must register at the Jackson Memorial Hall prior to that time.

III. RELIEF FROM DUTY: The Class of 1954 is hereby relieved from duty.

By Command of Major General MILTON:

F. H. Barksdale
Executive Officer



PROUD OF HER NAME AND READY
TO VINDICATE HER HONOR

COL. J. T.



B A N D



B. C. SUTHERLAND
Captain Commanding



R. C. IRBY
First Sgt.



D. T. H. CAMPBELL
First Lt.



J. A. TIPTON
Supply Sgt.



S. W. MARSHALL
Second Lt.



B. W. L. SEMMES
Second Lt.



R. E. JONES
Second Lt.

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R. C. Sutherland, *Cadet Captain*
 R. E. Jones, *Cadet 1st Lt.*
 S. W. Marshall, *Cadet 2nd Lt.*
 D. C. Brittigan, *Cadet 2nd Lt.*
 H. F. Southgate, *Cadet 2nd Lt.*
 R. C. Irby, *Cadet 1st Sgt.*
 R. J. Real, *Cadet Supply Sgt.*

Cadet Sergeants

Menefee, W. P.
 Morrison, R. P.
 Tipton, J. A.
 Custard, N. L.
 Beebe, R. L.
 Van Fossen, W. L.

Cadet Corporals

Musser, J. G.
 Nichols, S. E.
 Niedermayer, G. H.
 Jamison, D. K.
 Moore, R. H.
 McManus, R. G.
 Brown, R. C.
 Espey, J. G.
 Doty, M. H.
 Snead, J. E.

First Class Privates

Bourke, J. J.
 Campbell, D. T. H.
 Cole, R. R.
 Dorey, F. O.
 Ellis, W. G.
 Fahrner, H. L.
 Gaar, C. A.
 Gillespie, D. E.
 Mather-Smith, C. F.

McDowell, J. W.
 Scherer, G. H.
 Semmes, B. W. L.
 Tonkin, J. J.

Second Class Privates

Ashley, R. H.
 Bossard, B. B.
 Jones, T. R.
 Moore, J. A.

Third Class Privates

Baumgartner, A. S.

Boland, J. S.
 Burnham, A. C.
 Caldwell, C. H.
 Emmerich, J. W.
 Glover, C. T.
 Kastner, G. D.
 Richardson, W. L.
 Riddle, F. L.
 Rust, J. W.
 Price, D. R.

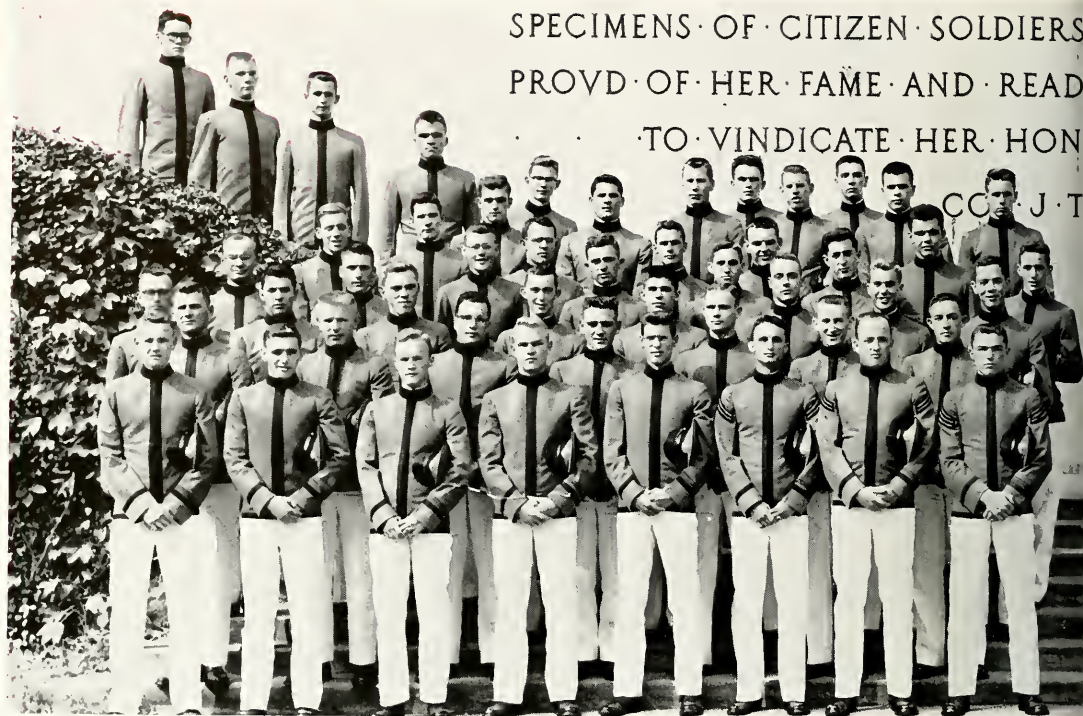
Fourth Class Privates

Balderson, G. S.

Bishop, G. W.
 Grasso, F. J.
 Holt, W. M.
 Leach, W. W.
 Negley, H. H.
 Phillips, J. A.
 Robertson, R. B.
 Rose, H. M.
 Royer, J. P.
 Shipley, D. F.
 Steigerwald, H. W.
 Sukev, J. F.
 Yawn, W. W.



COMPANY A



SPECIMENS · OF · CITIZEN · SOLDIERS
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J. L. McMANAWAY
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J. H. FOSTER
First Sgt.
S. P. WILLIAMS
Second Lt.



J. H. GARY
First Lt.
D. T. BASKETT
Second Lt.



J. P. PITTMAN
Supply Sgt.
R. S. REALE
Second Lt.



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Sergeants

Pittman, J. P.
 Emrick, C. W.
 Miller, W. J., Jr.
 McCrary, P. K.
 Belsha, L. B.
 Gibson, R.
 Taylor, P. K.

Corporals

Yon, J. L.
 Mathews, C. R.
 Hammond, L. D.
 Clapp, W. M.
 Landis, J. P.
 Duignaid, L. H.
 Hays, T. E.
 Wagner, A. W.
 Coombs, D. H.
 Fravel, R. K.
 Dickens, W. J.
 Pendleton, N. W.

Second Class Privates

Aalick, C. E.
 Barinowski, R. G.
 Crockett, R. G.
 Dalton, F. P.
 Dickinson, J. J.
 Dillard, J. M.
 Hogshire, R. B.
 Hopkins, W. R.
 Jones, H. F.
 Katorinecki, R. D.
 Lyons, R. F.
 McCarty, D. W.
 McDonald, K.
 McGeorge, J. L.
 Overton, J. H.
 Parrott, B. F.
 Pate, A. S.
 Sattolo, A. J.

Steinberger, C. T.
 Weintraub, J. L.
 Westfall, H. L.
 Wikoff, J. L.

Third Class Privates

Alexander, R. D.
 Bryant, J. C.
 Coupland, W. C.
 Dean, W. S.
 Donner, E. O.
 Draper, W.
 Galvin, W. S.
 Hardee, W. E.
 Heatheote, C. S.
 Janhego, P. C.
 Kling, J. D.
 Massey, T. K.
 McCrary, A.

McCormack, R. D.
 Roach, J. A.
 Scholz, F. J.
 Timmons, E. W.

Fourth Class Privates

Arthur, L. L.
 Beale, R. W.
 Beamer, J. M.
 Bowen, H. L.
 Bramble, A. L.
 Brennan, D. D.
 Buzzelli, R. A.
 Clark, C. M.
 Corr, J. W.
 Griswell, R. L.
 Cunningham, J. F.
 El Khouri, F. F.
 Godfrey, K. E.

Hancock, F. S.
 Hernly, H. G.
 Hickerson, R. L.
 Holland, W. E.
 Jordan, W. S.
 Lowe, J. M.
 Parker, J. C.
 Pitkelthy, D. J.
 Sarte, V. R.
 Schlossberg, A.
 Schmidt, J. F.
 Schweizer, J. M.
 Sink, W. D.
 Smith, P. M.
 Tharp, R. L.
 Trosler, P. D.
 West, J. C.
 Williamson, R. P.
 Woodward, G. P.

First Class Privates

Baskett, D. T.
 Botjer, J. L.
 Boxley, F. A.
 Carstens, K. P.
 Cook, L. J.
 Cofer, R. E.
 Cooper, R. M.
 Coupland, W. R.
 Drennan, J. F.
 Farmer, F. A.
 Greig, W. G.
 Irby, J. M. H.
 Jones, W. A.
 Lazarus, L. G.
 Lucado, C. R.
 Martin, W. R.
 McRee, J. T.
 O'Connor, F. J.
 Owen, J. C.
 Parker, J. R.
 Pilley, C. F.
 Ragan, R. M.
 Russell, T. M.
 Russo, A.
 Stickley, W. S.
 Whitlock, E. M.
 Williams, S. P.





COMPANY B

SPECIMENS · OF · CITIZEN · SOLDIER
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W. M. FULGHAM
Captain Commanding



W. W. MEARS
First Sgt.



W. D. ALMY
First Lt.



G. A. CLAUD
Supply Sgt.



C. A. SHERRY
Second Lt.



R. ANSBACHER
Second Lt.



J. D. MASSIE
Second Lt.

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Sergeants

Black, J. R.
 Clark, L. H.
 Dreyer, C. F.
 Farthing, F. G.
 Olinger, B. R.
 Schoen, C. C.
 Thurmond, J. V.

Corporals

Burns, R. W.
 Davis, R. L.
 Fiseher, R. L.
 Fox, D. R.
 Gay, W. A.
 Hancock, I. L.
 Mackall, P. V.
 Mixon, J. G.
 Nurnke, W. L.
 O'Donohue, W. J.
 Schladtitz, C. T.
 Vail, R. B.

First Class Privates

Adams, W. H.
 Ansbacher, R.
 Archer, H. P.
 Barthelme, J. L.
 Conway, B. J.
 Criddle, W. B.
 Denson, C. L.
 Eklings, J. D.
 Holcombe, J. L.
 Jones, C. C.
 Langborne, W. H.
 Lawrence, J. D.
 Luck, C. S.
 Maddox, W. M.
 McCants, A. E.
 McKemie, J. B.
 Nolley, W. T.
 Parsons, D. F.
 Reed, W. J.
 Thomas, D. J.
 Washington, W. M.

Second Class Privates

Clark, G. M.
 Foster, P. W.
 Fowler, R.
 Gottwald, W. D.
 Gronroos, P. W.
 Governor, G. C.

Herring, R. N.
 Heslep, D. B.
 Jackson, A. T.
 Jennette, A. H.
 Johnson, J. P.
 Jundt, C. H.
 Lisella, F. J.
 McCreedy, B. J.
 Miller, L. D.
 Morgan, J. A.
 Muehlhausen, A. A.
 Rhoads, W. E.
 Schutt, W. J.
 Selinger, J. R.
 Servidio, N. J.
 Stewart, R. G.
 Vitagliano, J.
 Wainwright, J. W.
 Wilson, W. M.

Third Class Privates

Baber, W. W.
 Benson, W. L.
 Briscoe, J. M.
 Christopher, R. C.
 Davenport, D. C.
 Douthat, A. W.
 Elmore, B. F.
 Frinks, R. L.
 Gardner, J. E.
 Haynie, W. S.
 Hsiung, R. Y. S.
 Kline, F. J.
 Perry, S. R.
 Reinstein, M.
 Stephens, J. F.
 Wagner, R. E.
 Whittle, J. P.

Wise, H. L.
 Wood, R. V.

Fourth Class Privates

Armstrong, D. A.
 Bloom, C. E.
 Boze, J. M.
 Carnevale, A.
 Criley, C. A.
 Day, J. W.
 Dean, H. Y.
 Farmer, L. A.
 Fu, Y. C.
 Grayson, E. H.
 Greathhead, R. N.
 Harris, G. A.
 Harrison, S. R.
 Harshaw, W. G.
 Hayes, C. B.

Hendershot, L. L.
 Hyatt, G. E.
 Kamp, W. T.
 McDowell, C. R.
 Miller, P. T.
 Moore, J. W.
 Palmer, H. T.
 Palmer, R. E.
 Pitts, D. H.
 Poteet, J. E.
 Savage, L. H.
 Schell, G. R.
 Shepherd, H. D.
 Tarrant, W. G.
 Walker, D. T.
 Webber, J. D.
 Williams, A. M.
 Wood, W. A.
 Woodson, J. B.





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G. S. ADAMS
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D. A. BLAIR
First Sgt.



C. W. DEAN
First Lt.



F. C. WILSON
Supply Sgt.



M. M. PETTYJOHN
Second Lt.



R. C. COLEMAN
Second Lt.



J. A. TRICE
Second Lt.

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Sergeants

Allison, T. W.
 Lamb, L. W.
 Lo, F. C. C.
 Rossie, W. C.
 Snyder, H. B.
 Stokes, W. M.
 Thomas, C. R.

Corporals

Chioio, J. S.
 Cohen, F. J.
 Dumeth, B. D.
 Hammond, F. H.
 Hargrave, M. I.
 Heckmann, B. D.
 Lawrence, H. C.
 McLennon, C. C.
 Palmer, F. J.
 Sullivan, G. W.
 Wilson, A. H.
 Woodward, J. E.

First Class Privates

Arrants, J. E.
 Bryan, R. M.
 Cancelliere, P. R.
 Chan, S. P.
 Dumeth, J. F.
 Ferguson, E. G.
 Foley, M. J.
 Graber, W. E.
 Green, W. W.
 Leech, F. J.
 Martin, C. R.
 Moltz, F. A.
 Perrine, H. P.
 Poffenbarger, A. L.
 Ridgely, R. H.
 Rojas, E. L.
 Shea, W. S.
 Skinner, J. L.
 Slough, C. D.
 Svendsen, E. O.
 Thompson, F. C.
 Wene, W. F.
 Whitefield, W. I.
 Woolwine, D. F.

Second Class Privates

Adams, J. C.
 Beale, F. L.
 Bowen, L. H.

Cordell, C. V.
 Crockett, V. L.
 Dantel, C.
 Donovan, W. F.
 Fencil, R. M.
 Firing, F.
 Jones, S. P.
 Mann, J. E.
 Marang, J. A.
 Moore, J. P.
 Nicellenti, A. J.
 Prizzi, J. A.
 Quinlin, R. T.
 Reese, K. D.
 Reynolds, J.
 Snyder, W. L.
 Tolley, C. P.

Third Class Privates

Rain, W. T.
 Batten, W. C.
 Chan, S. K.
 Fox, C. V.
 Haas, W. E.
 Heflin, J. G.
 Hellstrom, A. C.
 Henderson, A. D.
 Jenkins, C. E.
 Jennette, C. F.
 Le Bourdais, C. J.
 Phillips, P. D.
 Putney, C.

Weir, G. M.
 Wiltshire, J. R.

St. George, J. B.
 Saunders, R. T.
 Talbot, D. W.
 Thomas, C. M.
 Uhler, E. F.

Fourth Class Privates

Bell, J. T.
 Bennett, H. E.
 Black, T. A.
 Blankinship, G. W.
 Bower, W. L.
 Bruce, J. M.
 Butt, H. H.
 Camper, D. L.
 Cowen, I. W.
 Culver, R. O.

Delich, S. M.
 Duggett, G. B.
 Duker, R. P.
 Dunavant, S. J.
 Fuller, W. A.
 Gee, W. L.
 Gwathmey, L.
 Hutchinson, D. L.
 Jarrett, G. R.
 Johnston, M. B.
 Kellogg, C. C.
 Kiddell, W. E.
 McFadden, J. D.
 Nance, N. T.
 Oppenheim, J. B.
 Paganelli, J. A.
 Pai, D. H.

Preston, A. G.
 Rea, J. M.
 Rice, J. D.
 Rivera, L. R.
 Spragins, T. L.
 Swirk, R. A.
 Talley, E. H.
 Thomas, W. R.
 Trafton, J. G.
 Trousdale, J. H.
 Walker, W. J.
 Whitehurst, S. W.
 Wines, W. W.
 Yon, P. H.





The Colors

SECOND BATTALION STAFF



ROBERT S. RENNICKS
Battalion Commander

JAMES W. ROBERTSON
Battalion S-1

ROBERT H. FILER
Battalion S-3

BENJAMIN L. ANGLE
Battalion S-4





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SPECIMENS OF CITIZEN SOLDIER
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G. L. JONES III
Captain Commanding



F. S. WIGGINS
First Sgt.



B. L. McGRUDER
First Lt.



T. R. BARKER
Supply Sgt.



E. N. OSBORNE
Second Lt.



W. O. HARRIS
Second Lt.



M. M. BELENKY
Second Lt.

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Sergeants

Alex, E. J.
 Brower, G. W.
 Grisham, W. H.
 Hale, J. W.
 Kaaa, E. W.
 Montagna, S. D.
 Williams, G. S.

Corporals

Dicessore, A. N.
 Gilmore, W. F.
 Hunt, R. V.
 Kalleis, N.
 Long, J. R. R.
 MacKay, R. G.
 Miller, P. O.
 Parker, C. E.
 Schwendinger, C.
 Sydnor, G. W.
 Whitfield, E. P.
 Wills, W. G.

Sakakini, J. A.
 Taylor, M. R.
 Thackston, C.
 Thornton, J. F.
 Tsien, M. C.
 Tuck, W. P.
 Vitali, V. J.
 Walton, M. B.
 Williamson, T. G.
 Woodhouse, H. W.

Second Class Privates

Ahell, C. W.
 Bready, R. J.
 Byrd, H. H.
 Cademartori, D. G.
 Dye, H. L.

Hannay, J. R.
 Hoyt, R. E.
 Johnson, B. G.
 Kays, W. K.
 Knipp, R. S.
 MacLeay, D. L.
 Manns, G. A.
 Manra, F. A.
 Morrison, R.
 Ranyan, J. N.
 Saffer, T. H.
 Salsgiver, W. R.
 Snapp, J. R.
 Thompson, E. G.
 Waring, M. L.
 Witt, J. T.
 Woodward, W. E.

Third Class Privates

Hubbard, R. K.
 Kaye, R. J.
 Kirchmier, J. J.
 Kuchnia, J. E.
 Lincoln, P. M.
 Locke, C. W.
 Martin, D. P.
 Meyer, L. D.
 Muldowney, P. D.
 McKeel, W. T.
 Rogers, B. B.
 Smith, E. C.
 Taylor, G. C.
 Walters, C. C.
 Webster, R. L.
 Yniolck, R. A.

Fourth Class Privates

Brehman, G. N.
 Brown, S. N.
 Clarke, A. M.
 Dunn, W. D.
 Earnest, N. P.
 Edgar, C. E.
 Fitzgerald, T. R.
 Fuente, M. F.
 Gondolfo, M. F.
 Gray, J. G.
 Griffin, W. S.
 Henry, T. A.
 Lash, A. R.
 LeVine, M. I.
 Markiewicz, K. H.
 Martin, E. V.

McGown, A. L.
 Nicholls, J. E.
 Norman, D. C. W.
 Mezzaeca, A. L.
 Noyes, R. L.
 Paull, J. T.
 Payne, J. B.
 Pickering, W. J.
 Pound, B. W.
 Rousoo, W. B.
 Smeltzer, M. K.
 Stilwell, J. E.
 Taylor, E. J.
 Wooten, L. E.



First Class Privates

Bain, J. W.
 Bregman, M.
 Bundy, H. H.
 Castner, W. R.
 Damiano, L. M.
 Dicker, E. E.
 Gannon, M. A.
 Giacomini, J. A.
 Hammer, S. H.
 Harris, R. A.
 Hiner, J. F.
 Hogan, T. F.
 Hyatt, R. C.
 Irby, E. H.
 Marsh, L. E.
 Morace, J. L.
 McClelland, C. I.
 McGruder, H. L.
 McKnight, L. G.
 Openshaw, J. A.
 Price, L. E. L.
 Rudusky, R. M.





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First Sgt.



R. J. PATANE
First Lt.



J. N. BRAWNER
Supply Sgt.



J. A. MORGAN
Second Lt.



J. R. BRENNER
Second Lt.



C. G. KULP
Second Lt.

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Sergeants

Alexander, W. W.
 Burns, E. A.
 Frase, L. E.
 Holsinger, R. W.
 Nelson, W. O.
 Tatum, W. F., Jr.
 Zitz, J. S.

Corporals

Arpner, E. S.
 Ayres, B. D.
 Bolling, J. R.
 Collier, R. E.
 Dick, W. W.
 Fletcher, E. C.
 Harden, J. L.
 Pipkin, J. B.
 Sessions, O. V. P.
 Warner, H. H.
 Wiggins, B. E.
 Vaughan, W. A.

First Class Privates

Albrecht, C. R.
 Anderson, D. M.
 Atkinson, J. O.
 Backer, D. M.
 Barrett, Q. T.
 Baugh, R. A.
 Brenner, J. R.
 Brooke, F. D.
 Camper, R. M.
 Cestaro, J. M.
 Collins, G. R.
 Davis, E. H.
 Eaton, C. E.
 Eebols, C. L.
 Edmondson, J. H.
 Frye, R. A.
 Griffith, E. R.
 Hacke, P. W.
 Hill, S. W.
 Johnson, O. P.
 Johnson, W. W.
 Martin, R. C.
 O'Neill, D. R.
 O'Neill, T. H.
 Paulette, D. W.
 Phillips, B. B.
 Scalzitti, P. D.

Travers, R. L.
 Trevey, J. E.
 Valentine, H. C.
 Walter, F. B.
 White, A. M.

Second Class Privates

Child, W. O.
 Evans, E. J.
 Justice, R. D.
 Masile, T.
 Myers, J. L.
 Nyman, D. H.
 Penn, G. E.
 Painter, J. D.
 Pollard, G. M.
 Smith, R. M.
 Undercoffer, J. T.
 Spears, J. M.

Stone, J. H.
 White, W. R.
 Wilson, A. C.

Third Class Privates

Dickinson, K. K.
 Dunn, D. T.
 Fraser, R. C.
 Glendy, R. E.
 Kilday, J. J.
 Kivlighan, M. F.
 McKibben, C. F.
 Moody, J. F.
 Murray, G. E.
 Newbill, R. A.
 Newcomb, F. L.
 Newman, R. G.
 Parks, J. T.
 Poffenberger, J. T.

Rader, R.
 Shield, E. W.
 Smith, C. P.
 Vaughan, J. T.
 Wolf, V. F.

Fourth Class Privates

Baker, B. H.
 Berman, J. L.
 Brown, R. D.
 Buckland, R. H.
 Clarke, H. H. H.
 Crawford, J. O.
 Davies, P. R.
 Drake, J. L.
 Evansich, N. E.
 Fischer, F.
 Hence, G. R. C.
 Janke, F. H.

Johnson, D. S.
 Jordan, R. A.
 Keller, C. R.
 Lowrance, P. H.
 McCabe, L. J.
 Navabandh, K.
 Neuburger, A. R.
 Rosenbaum, C. F.
 Rubin, L.
 Sechtman, P. L.
 Smith, J. H.
 Smith, L. A.
 Sullivan, J. F.
 Takach, G. A.
 Upston, J. E.
 Wallace, D. D.
 Whitaker, G. H.
 Williamson, S. L.
 Witt, S. B.





COMPANY F



SPECIMENS OF CITIZEN SOLDIERS
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A. L. PENNY
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E. PENDLETON
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R. E. FITCH
Second Lt.



D. E. MEEKER
First Lt.
C. F. BYRD
Second Lt.



J. E. GEIGLEY
Supply Sgt.
N. S. HARRIS
Second Lt.



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Sergeants

Frost, T. H.
 Johnson, L. E.
 Lavery, C. V.
 McKinnon, F. W.
 Morrison, R. C.
 Moss, J. S.
 Westerman, W. M.

Corporals

Atkeson, T. L.
 Avis, L. D.
 Dawdy, C. C.
 Fahella, N. J.
 Honeycutt, H. C.
 Huffcutt, W. H.
 McCrary, J. C.
 Peters, P. B.
 Piggott, J. A.
 Powell, T. E.
 Trant, J. H.
 Turley, J. J.

First Class Privates

Akkis, E. L.
 Barlow, J. W.
 Bowden, B. H.
 Bryant, W. T.
 Carter, T. H.
 Coleman, L. W.
 Glenn, L. F.
 Harris, N. S.
 Houston, D. W.
 Lawless, E. B.
 Leopold, H. A.
 Lekstrum, J. M.
 Moore, W. M.
 Peters, T. R.
 Powell, E. A.
 Ritchey, C. R.
 Ritchie, L. R.
 Segar, S. B.
 Shattuck, A. H.
 Smith, L. T.
 Stamey, O.
 Sterns, P. N.
 Tait, T. H.
 Tanzer, M. F.
 Timms, R. V.
 Tyler, F. L.
 Willard, F. C.

Second Class Privates

Bankard, T. H.
 Baugh, J. B.
 Beckner, R. L.
 Dooley, R. T.
 Esler, J. W.
 Higinbotham, W. M.
 Justice, J. R.
 Lynch, J. F.
 Mack, J. B.
 Mundy, G. M.
 Pearce, D. E.
 Schultz, A. D.
 Shelton, R. G.
 Stanley, J. F.
 Vaughn, D. R.

Third Class Privates

Barker, S. D.
 Blocker, R. H.
 Elmore, T. H.
 Fiske, J. R.
 Gilbert, J. B.
 Holmes, J. F.
 Jean, J. N.
 Jockell, C. J.
 Kyle, J. C.
 Machen, J. L.
 Maier, T. I.
 Martin, E. B.
 Mason, C. A.
 Matcic, J. A.
 Michelson, J. A.
 Moore, W. R.

Morecock, R. H.
 Pendleton, R. T.
 Quillen, J. H.
 Robinson, T. W.
 Shilbut, J. A.
 Shipley, P. M.
 Spivey, J. M.
 Sumner, R. R.
 Wickes, J. S.
 Woolwine, S. E.

Fourth Class Privates

Best, C. W.
 Boggeman, F. E.
 Bradfield, W. F.
 Colliflower, H. F.
 Costa, R. D.

Cuthrell, D. W.
 Eger, R. E.
 Haldeman, R.
 Jenkins, R. W.
 Johnson, P. E.
 Keefe, W. A.
 King, R. G.
 Knight, A. D.
 Law, W. F.
 Lynch, J. E.
 MacLeod, C. C.
 Meinig, H. R.
 Menefee, M. F.
 Minar, T. R.
 Noeltner, J. W.
 Norvell, F. C.
 Pahlberg, K. G.

Peters, J. O.
 Phelps, W. J.
 Prior, W. A.
 Roberts, C. W.
 Sanders, T. A.
 Shrieves, G. M.
 Smith, A. M.
 Smyth, T. J.
 Southard, F. L.
 Spurrier, R. E.
 Sykes, R. G.
 Tramaglio, R.
 Van der Kloet, M.
 Walker, R. W.
 Woodman, J. B.



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VIRGINIA MILITARY INSTITUTE
Lexington, Virginia

GENERAL ORDERS NUMBER 18

7 February 1955

APPOINTMENTS IN REGIMENT OF CADETS

1. All appointments of officers and non-commissioned officers in the Regiment of Cadets heretofore in effect are revoked.
2. The following appointments in the Regiment of Cadets, effective Tuesday, 8 February 1955, and with relative rank and assignment as shown, are announced:

TO BE CADET CAPTAINS

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| 1. Thompson, R. C., Jr. | <i>Regimental Commander</i> | 8. Rennicks, R. S., Jr. | <i>Commander, Company B</i> |
| 2. Sage, R. S. | <i>Commander, First Battalion</i> | 9. Sidney, J. | <i>Regimental Supply Officer (S-1)</i> |
| 3. Kerlin, W. T. | <i>Commander, Second Battalion</i> | 10. Muecke, D. E. | <i>Commander, Company E</i> |
| 4. Jones, G. L. III | <i>Commander, Company D</i> | 11. McManaway, J. L. | <i>Commander, Company A</i> |
| 5. Adams, G. S. | <i>Commander, Company C</i> | 12. Sutherland, R. C. | <i>Commander, Regimental Band</i> |
| 6. Penny, A. L. | <i>Commander, Company F</i> | 13. Kulp, C. G., Jr. | <i>Regimental Adjutant (S-1)</i> |
| 7. Sander, W. C. | <i>Regimental Plans and Training Officer (S-3)</i> | | |

TO BE CADET FIRST LIEUTENANTS

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| 1. Lawson, K. F. | <i>S-3, First Battalion</i> | 8. Osborne, E. N., Jr. | <i>Company D</i> |
| 2. Filer, R. H. | <i>S-3, Second Battalion</i> | 9. Hart, J. P. III | <i>Regimental Band</i> |
| 3. Almy, W. D. | <i>Company B</i> | 10. Jones, R. E. | <i>Regimental Band</i> |
| 4. Robertson, J. W. | <i>S-1, Second Battalion</i> | 11. Pettyjohn, M. M., Jr. | <i>Company C</i> |
| 5. Rutherford, E. H. | <i>Company A</i> | 12. Harris, N. S. | <i>S-4, Second Battalion</i> |
| 6. Patane, B. J. | <i>Company E</i> | 13. Fitch, R. E. | <i>Company F</i> |
| 7. Dean, C. W. | <i>S-1, First Battalion</i> | | |

TO BE CADET SECOND LIEUTENANTS

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| 1. Fulgham, W. H. (B) | 8. Sherry, C. A. (B) | 15. Massie, J. D. (B) |
| 2. Gary, J. H. III (A) | 9. Harris, W. O., Jr. (D) | 16. Rogers, R. S. II (C) |
| 3. Belenky, M. M. (D) | 10. Beale, R. S. (A) | 17. Baker, R. C., Jr. (E) |
| 4. Morgan, J. L. (E) | 11. Trice, J. A. (C) | 18. May, C. J., Jr. (D) |
| 5. Coleman, R. C. (C) | 12. Satterwhite, R. H. (F) | 19. Roach, J. W. (A) |
| 6. Byrd, C. F. (F) | 13. Ramsey, J. S., Jr. (E) | 20. Southgate, H. F. (Band) |
| 7. Marshall, S. W. III (Band) | 14. Brittigan, D. C. (Band) | 21. Hart, W. T. (F) |

TO BE CADET REGIMENTAL SERGEANT MAJOR

Stevenson, F. N., Jr.

TO BE CADET FIRST SERGEANTS

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| 1. Bittner, R. B. (E) | 4. Blair, D. A. (C) | 6. Foster, J. H. (A) |
| 2. Wiggins, F. S. (D) | 5. Pendleton, E., Jr. (F) | 7. Irby, R. C., Jr. (B) |
| 3. Mears, W. W. (B) | | |

TO BE CADET REGIMENTAL SUPPLY SERGEANT

Wingate, P. G.

TO BE CADET COLOR SERGEANTS

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| 1. Flemings, F. J., Jr. | 2. Ramsey, J. C. |
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TO BE CADET SUPPLY SERGEANTS

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| 1. Wilson, F. C. (C) | 4. Brawner, J. N. III (E) | 6. Real, R. J. (Band) |
| 2. Barker, T. R., Jr. (D) | 5. Geiglein, J. E. (F) | 7. Schwan, A., Jr. (A) |
| 3. Claud, G. A. (B) | | |

TO BE CADET SERGEANTS

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| 1. Pittman, J. P. (A) | 13. Morrison, R. P. (Band) | 25. McCrary, P. K. (A) | 37. Johnson, L. E., Jr. (F) |
| 2. Brewer, G. H. (D) | 14. Holsinger, R. W. III (E) | 26. Dreyer, C. F., Jr. (B) | 38. Snyder, H. B., Jr. (C) |
| 3. Stokes, W. M. III (C) | 15. Hale, J. W. (D) | 27. Custard, N. L. (Band) | 39. Gibson, R. R., Jr. (A) |
| 4. Clark, L. H., Jr. (B) | 16. McKinnon, F. W. (F) | 28. Zitz, J. S. (E) | 40. Farthing, F. G., Jr. (B) |
| 5. Menefer, W. P. (Band) | 17. Lo, F. C. C. (C) | 29. Kana, E. W., Jr. (D) | 41. Van Fossen, W. L. (Band) |
| 6. Morrison, R. C., Jr. (F) | 18. Miller, W. J., Jr. (A) | 30. Westerman, W. M. (F) | 42. Tatum, W. F., Jr. (E) |
| 7. Nelson, W. O., Jr. (E) | 19. Schuen, C. C. III (B) | 31. Rossie, W. L., Jr. (A) | 43. Alex, E. J. (D) |
| 8. Graham, W. H. (D) | 20. Tipton, J. A. IV (Band) | 32. Belshu, L. B., Jr. (A) | 44. Lavery, C. V. (F) |
| 9. Frost, T. H. (F) | 21. Alexander, W. W. (E) | 33. Black, J. R. (B) | 45. Lorch, L. W. (C) |
| 10. Thomas, C. H. (C) | 22. Williams, G. S. (D) | 34. Beebe, R. L. (Band) | 46. Taylor, P. K. (A) |
| 11. Enrick, C. W. (A) | 23. Moss, J. S. (F) | 35. Burns, E. A. (E) | 47. Thurmard, J. V., Jr. (B) |
| 12. Olinger, B. R. (B) | 24. Allison, T. W. (C) | 36. Montagna, S. D. II (D) | 48. Frasse, L. E. (E) |

TO BE CADET CORPORALS

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| 1. Mixson, J. G. (B) | 22. Wills, W. G. III (D) | 43. Parker, C. E. (D) | 63. Avis, L. D. (F) |
| 2. Lawrence, H. C. (C) | 23. Dawdy, C. C. (F) | 44. Piggott, J. A. (E) | 64. Duesch, R. D. (C) |
| 3. Yon, J. L., Jr. (A) | 24. Sullivan, G. W. (C) | 45. Hammond, F. H. III (C) | 65. Galvin, W. S. (A) |
| 4. Collier, R. E. (E) | 25. Clapp, W. M., Jr. (A) | 46. Hays, T. E. (A) | 66. Davis, R. L., Jr. (B) |
| 5. Musser, J. G. (Band) | 26. Haneack, I. L. III (B) | 47. Schladt, C. T. (B) | 67. Espey, J. G. III (Band) |
| 6. Peters, P. B. (F) | 27. Jamison, D. K. (Band) | 48. Ayres, B. D., Jr. (E) | 68. Dick, W. W. III (E) |
| 7. Kallolis, N. (D) | 28. Fletcher, E. C. (E) | 49. Mackay, R. G., Jr. (D) | 69. Schweendinger, C. J. (D) |
| 8. Sydnor, G. W., Jr. (F) | 29. Gilmore, W. E. (D) | 50. Fabela, N. J. (F) | 70. Spivey, J. M. III (F) |
| 9. Turley, J. J., Jr. (F) | 30. Haffett, W. H. II (F) | 51. Chinoe, J. S. (C) | 71. Woodward, J. E., Jr. (C) |
| 10. Beckmann, B. D. (C) | 31. McLennan, C. C. (C) | 52. Wagner, A. W. (A) | 72. Dickens, W. J. III (A) |
| 11. Matthews, C. R. (A) | 32. Landis, J. P. (A) | 53. Fox, D. R. II (B) | 73. Fischer, R. L. (C) |
| 12. O'Donohue, W. J., Jr. (B) | 33. Gay, W. A., Jr. (B) | 54. Brown, R. C., Jr. (Band) | 74. Duty, M. H., Jr. (Band) |
| 13. Nichols, S. E., Jr. (Band) | 34. Moore, R. H. (Band) | 55. Arpert, E. S. (E) | 75. Harden, J. L. (E) |
| 14. Wiggins, B. E., Jr. (E) | 35. Warner, H. H. (E) | 56. Miller, P. O., Jr. (D) | 76. Dicesare, A. N., Jr. (D) |
| 15. Whitfield, E. P., Jr. (D) | 36. Hunt, R. V. (D) | 57. Trant, J. H. III (F) | 77. Kyle, J. C., Jr. (F) |
| 16. Powell, T. F. III (F) | 37. Honeycutt, H. C., Jr. (F) | 58. Wilson, A. H. III (C) | 78. Palme, F. J., Jr. (C) |
| 17. Hargrave, M. L., Jr. (C) | 38. Cohen, F. J. (C) | 59. Coombs, D. H. (A) | 79. Pendleton, N. W., Jr. (A) |
| 18. Hammond, L. D. (A) | 39. Diuguid, L. B. (A) | 60. Mackall, P. V. (B) | 80. Vail, R. B. (E) |
| 19. Nuenke, W. L. III (B) | 40. Burns, R. W., Jr. (B) | 61. Bolling, J. R., Jr. (E) | 81. Sneed, J. E. (Band) |
| 20. Niedermayer, G. H. (Band) | 41. McManus, R. G. (Band) | 62. Shelton, L. J. (D) | 82. Pipkin, J. B. II (E) |
| 21. Sessums, D. V. P. III (E) | 42. Vaughan, W. A. (E) | | |

By Command of Major General MILTON:

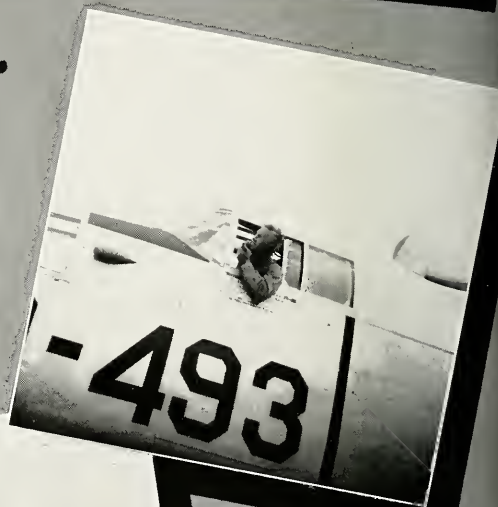
F. H. Barksdale
Executive Officer

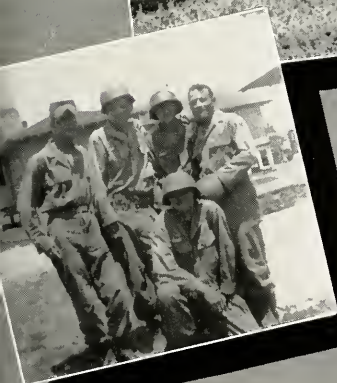


Finals---the climax of Graduation Parade



Summer Camp- Air Force





*Summer Camp
Army*



The Classes

WITHIN the four walls of barracks, the class system is the foundation of cadet self-government. Although not always agreeing, men of all classes stick together when there is a job to be done. It is by a strong class system that the spirit of VMI is made stronger.



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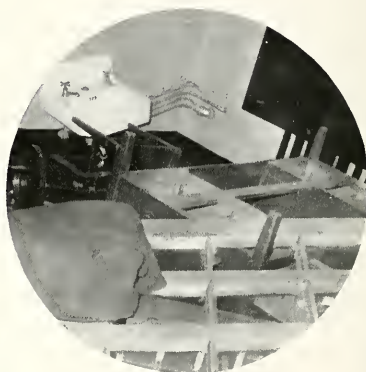
FIRST CLASS HISTORY



NEVER will we forget that dreary day, September 5, 1951, when, over four hundred strong, we entered the Institute as "rats." We were the largest class ever to matriculate, and to us this seemed to spur the Third Class to strike through the Rat Line as though to cut our mm-



bers. "Pull that chin in; rack those shoulders down and back. Get into it, Rat!!"—yes, those days are long gone, but they will live forever in our memory. For although they seemed almost unbearable at times, we now realize that we owe some of our richest experiences to the days as rats. One of the most vivid, as well as most poignant of these is that never-to-be-forgotten night in December



when we engineered what has come to be called "The Big Step-off." Neither can we forget our punishment, for the "Midnight March" is burned on most of our memories—and feet. We were young then, but on that night we were prematurely wielded into a class. However, the Rat Line went on; Christmas vacation came and passed; exams came, and un-



fortunately, not always passed; Easter vacation flew by; and then came that long awaited day when we got out of the Rat Line. It was almost unbelievable, we had survived! After that school was over before we realized it, and we raced for home with a long-drawn sigh of relief.

We came back as Third Classmen ready and eager to demonstrate our



class's strength in handling the Rat Line, but here we found that the troubles of

responsibility are many and varied. However, we shouldered the load and settled down to awaiting our next milestone as cadets—Ring Figure. But we didn't grow dull from all work and no play, for some memorable parties were had that year, and we found we were already beginning to be leaders in some phases of barracks life. This year we left for home feeling that from then on it was downhill, for the halfway mark was passed.

It would be useless as well as almost impossible to enumerate all the many incidents of our Second Class year. All that is needed is a little memory stimulation, and the mind of any Brother Rat is at once pregnant with many fond reminiscences. For, outside of graduation, the epitome of our cadetship was reached in November—Ring Figure!





Who will ever forget the last minute rush to get ready—then gliding through the softly lit gym—a pause—fear of dropping the ring—then a longer pause. After that, the wild, wonderful party at the Pine Room, and the awful feeling everyone had the next day.

From then on we began to watch more closely the life in barracks and the activities of the Corps, for we were training ourselves to be the leaders of bar-



racks already, and in the late spring we even began to take on a little of this responsibility. Finals came, were better than ever, and then we were rushing away again—but not home this time, for we scattered over most of the country to various service camps and bases to spend part of our vacation putting into practice what we had been learning in our military science courses.

We made a good record in our respective summer camps, and had a good



time doing it, too. The service, we found, was much easier than VMI, and many a road was burned between the camps and near-by towns.

September arrived again though, and for the first time during our internment at VMI, we actually welcomed the



opening of school. This was our big year, we had finally made it to the last lap. Now it would be us who would don a sour look when underclassmen spoke of "the Firsts" as we surrounded ourselves with the dignity and mystery of the First Class cape. Our Brother Rats were now the "top brass," and we began to realize how heavy the load of responsibility was as we took our positions of leadership in the Corps.

We also found ourselves with more freedom in the form of week ends and F. C. P., and "discovered" Hollins,

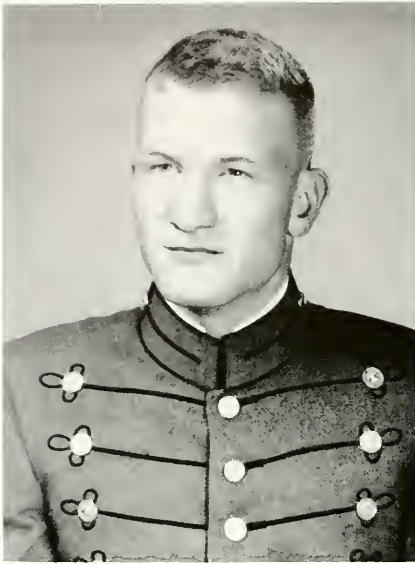


Sweet Briar, Mary Baldwin, and all the other girls' schools near-by. Many a heart will be broken when the Class of '55 graduates!

Nevertheless, our numerous duties and activities didn't deter us from our work—too much, that is! So almost before we realized it, our First Class year was drawing to a close, and we began to look forward to June 7th and graduation.

Graduation—our final goal at VMI, but only the beginning of our life as VMI Alumni. The proving grounds of graduate schools, medical schools, business, and the service lay ahead, the standards already set by the VMI men before us, and we stepped forth confident that we could certainly maintain and perhaps even surpass this reputation. For, "You may be whatever you resolve to be."





JAMES McCALLUM

Jim's winning smile and genuine friendliness gained for him a great deal of popularity among his fellow cadets. His love of the game and rugged line play secured for him a starting position on the football squad. Jim's rapid improvement at a new position won him the admiration and praise of his coaches and teammates. His honesty and deep religious feelings always served as a guiding example to those that were close to him. His life, though suddenly brought to a close, left a memory in the hearts of his fellow men that will never be forgotten. A gentleman, an athlete, but most of all a true friend.

In Memoriam

SCOTT SHIPP HUGER

Scotty was so well known at VMI that he needs no other memorial. His genuine friendship and friendly smile made him lasting friends in all the classes that he had known. Never one to worry, Scotty lived a carefree but serious life as a Cadet. It was tragic that Scotty had such an untimely end, but he will always be remembered by those of us who knew the lively, good-humored person that he was.





ROYCE E. JONES
Vice-President

JAMES D. MASSIE
President

EUGENE R. GRIFFITH
Historian

First Class Officers



Ernest Lee Ackiss, Jr.

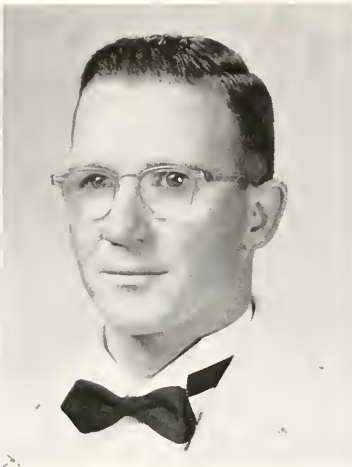
Atlanta, Georgia

Armor

History

Private, 4, 2, 1; Corporal, 3; History Club, 3, 2, 1; International Relations Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; Armed Forces Club, 4, 3, 2, Treasurer; Varsity Track, 4; Officer of the Guard Association, 1; Glee Club, 1; Distinguished Military Student, 1; Intramurals, 4, 3, 2.

Lee came to V. M. I. as one of Buzz's slide rule engineers, later to become one of Fuller's historians who has by driving determination achieved top marks in his major. Pappy is frank in his beliefs and has the strength of will to practice them. Leo is gifted with a clear vision and high aims—the bulwarks of his ambition. A sharpness of wit enhanced by the mark of sincerity mark the value of his loyal friendship. We know that whatever Lee does in life it will always be marked with the highest integrity and purpose.



Gilbert Stuart Adams

Arlington, Virginia

Artillery

History

Private, 4; Corporal, 3; Sergeant, 2; Commander, 1; Distinguished Military Student, 1; Armed Forces Club, 1; History Club, 1; International Relations Club, 1; Intramurals, 4, 3, 2; Manager 1.

Four years ago a seventeen year old entered V. M. I. with an ambition to follow in his father's footsteps in the Regular Army. The fall of 1951 is his story now and Stu is about to realize his ambition. As many a brother Rat has found out, Stu was at first difficult to cultivate but once known has been a proven friend and a good companion. Stu has achieved success at V. M. I. as a non-com and officer and everything points that he will do equally as well in the Army. We have called you "General" for four years in jest, Stu, in twenty years we hope to do it in truth.



William Hugh Adams

Charlottesville, Virginia

Artillery

History

Private, 4; Corporal, 3; Sergeant, 2; Guidon Bearer, 1; Football, 4; Baseball, 4; Intramural Football, 2, 3; Intramural Softball, 2, 3; O. C. A., 1.

From WahooLand he came leaving behind his femme fatale. Giving up his stripes he applied himself to his studies and visits to Crozet. As a result he went through the V. M. I. on the accelerated five year plan. We of '55 have gotten used to his dry humor and ready smile. A connoisseur of wearing apparel, "Hugo" is also a graduate cum laude of SACKology and PXconomy. Bill will go far if he applies himself to his life work as he has to his past accomplishments. Always out front, especially at company formations, we expect him to stay there.



"Pappy"



"Stu"



"Bill"

CLASS



Clinton Ronald Albrecht

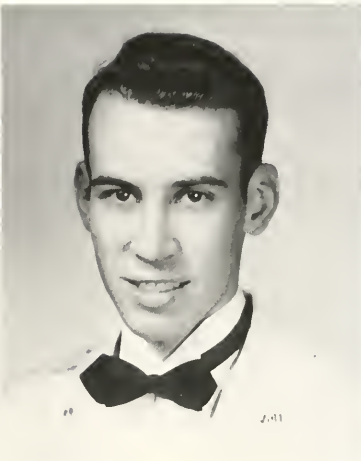
Baltimore, Maryland

Engineers

Civil Engineering

A. S. C. E., 4, 3, 2, 1; Armed Forces Club, 3, 2; I. R. C., 3, 2, 1; Secretary, I. R. C., 2; Vice President I. R. C., 1; Cave Club, 3; Photographer A. S. C. E., 2, 1; Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; O. G. A., 1.

Ronnie came to V. M. I. to be put under the military routine for the first time. He quickly adjusted himself and became known to his Brother Rats as intelligent, hardworking, and dependable. He was quite a ladies' man in his early cadetship and it broke many a little girl's heart when he was captured by a lovely blond. He has a great love for hiking and photography. His photographic work is well known due to his work in the Civil Engineering Dept. Ronnie has now set out to become a lawyer. He has always wanted to be his own boss and we feel sure of his success in this profession.



William Dickson Almy

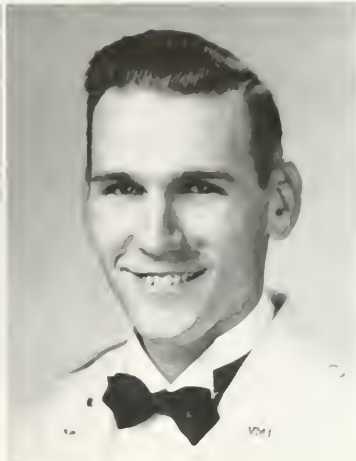
Baltimore, Maryland

Air Force

History

Private, 4; Corporal, 3; Sergeant, 2; 1st Lieutenant; Armed Forces Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; Chairman, Planning Committee, 2; President, 1; Cadet Staff, 1; International Relations Club, 3, 2, 1; Publicity Director, 2; History Club, 2, 1; Cadet Library Assistant, 3, 2, 1; Company Intramural Manager, 1; Indoor Track, 4; Outdoor Track, 4; Cross Country, 4; Track Manager, 3; Lacrosse Club, 3, 2; Co-Captain, 2; "outstanding" Cadet A. F. R. O. T. C. Summer Camp.

Go! Go! Go! These enthusiastic words form the best description of a Baltimore bundle of energy inherited from '54. When not presiding at some club meeting, one could usually find Mr. "Hedge-Hopping" preparing his weekly column on aviation; handling the administrative details of Baker Co. or raking in the shekles for Red Turner. When this boy takes over AT&T stock should soar like those jets he'll fly for Uncle Sam.



David Meriwether Anderson

Eagle Lake, Texas

Air Force

Civil

Texas Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; A. S. C. E., 3, 2, 1; Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; O. G. A., 1.

Tradition has it that in Texas everything is bigger and better and after listening to Dave expound on the virtues of his native state for a few minutes even the most skeptical cannot help but believe that there must be some foundation of fact to his elaborate praises.

Dave's love for his home-state has been equalled only by his enthusiasm for Buzz Marr's Engineering course. As the indomitable foe of all Liberal Artists, Dave has availed himself of every opportunity to denounce that phlegmatic group.

Future plans for the "visiting Texan" include a return to the prairies and marriage to Babs, the sweetest little girl in Texas, and a career in Engineering. There can be little doubt that with Dave on the job there are "bigger and better" highways in store for the Lone Star State.



"Ronnie"

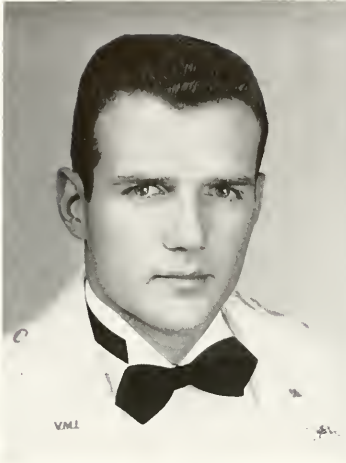


"Bill"



"Dave"

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Benjamin Lewis Angle III

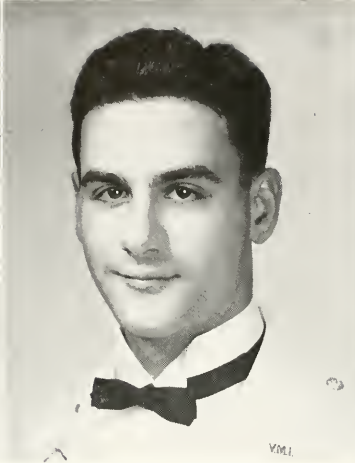
Rocky Mount, Virginia

Armor

Biology

Private, 4; Corporal, 3; Supply Sergeant, 2; First Lieutenant, 1; Varsity Track, 4, 3, 2, 1 (Co-Captain, 1); Varsity Cross Country, 3, 2, 1; V. A. S., 4, 3, 2, 1; Monogram Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; Armed Forces Club, 1; Distinguished Military Student, 1; Editor *Sound Off*, 1.

Ben's stay at the Institute has been highlighted by his outstanding accomplishments both in the field of athletics and in the pursuit of lovely ladies. Although his success in the latter is still in doubt, his record in track leaves nothing to be desired. Far from confining his activities solely to track, though, he has excelled as a barracks entrepreneur and sack artist par excellence. How he has managed all his activities and still made so many friends throughout the state remains a mystery.



Rudi Ansbacher

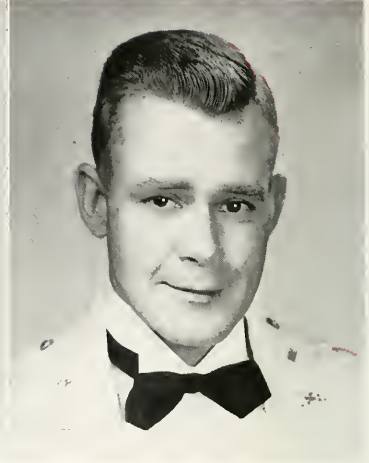
Rockville Centre, L. I., New York

Business

Biology (Pre-Med)

Private, 3; Sergeant, 1; 2nd Lieutenant, 1; Virginia Academy of Science, 3, 2, 1; *Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities*, 1.

Rudi came to V. M. I. after a year at Harvard University and a year of working for an insurance company in New York City. Even though he has been somewhat of a complainer in his years at V. M. I., he has enjoyed his work under Cdr. Casrell and intends to pursue his medical career in future years, and of course, to marry that girl home, his home town. All we can say is continued good luck to him in all his endeavors.



Howard Patton Archer

Albany, New York

Armor

English

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; Yankee Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; Canterbury Club, 4, 3; Track Team, 4; O. C. A., 1.

'Arch', during his stay in barracks has received the distinction of being the Cadet who most resembles a New York executive because of his taste for fine scotch and sarcastic women. He is also one of the few Cadets who subscribes to *The Wall Street Journal* because of his interest in the stocks of the Schlitz Brewing Company. Wall Street is going to receive a confirmed Capitalist when 'Arch' arrives and his success will be counted in stocks and bonds.



"Ben"



"Rudi"



"Arch"

CLASS



Jack Everett Arrants

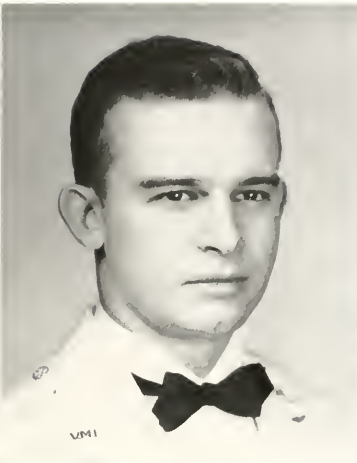
Bristol, Virginia

Armor

Chemistry

Private, 4; Asst. Corporal, 3; Private, 2; Private, 1; Football, 4, 3, 2; Wrestling, 4, 3, 2; American Chemical Society, Lutheran Club, O. G. A.; Southwest Virginia Club; *BOMB* Staff; Editor *Outrage*; Room Orderly, 4, 3, 2, 1; Dyke, 4; Armed Forces Club.

There are few of us indeed who have not had some dealings with this "fair" member of our class. He has always been the student during weekdays, but his exploits during the weekend would make a very interesting book. Although Jack has tried both engineering curriculums, as well as chemistry, he has finally decided to dedicate his talents to medicine. With his personality and great ability to make friends, we are sure that he will do well in med-school as well as in later life.



James Oscar Atkinson III

London Bridge, Virginia

Air Force

Civil Engineering

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; Hop Committee, 2, 1; Chairman 1955 Ring Figure Committee; *BOMB* Staff, 4, 3, 2, 1; Turnout Staff, 4, 3, 2, 1; Varsity Golf; Freshman Track; O. G. A.; Tidewater Club; Crow's Nest Club; Monogram Minstrel; A. S. C. E.; O. G. A., 1.

J. O. came to us as a true southern gentleman with a reputation for large ears and a large capacity for "Virginia Gentleman". A lover of good times and furloughs, J. O.'s "Don Juan" activities have been curbed by a little lady called "Jimmie". J. O.'s winning smile and effervescent personality have always been an asset to every good party. His dependability is exemplified in his fine work for school organizations and his good game of golf. We all wish him a quick discharge from the service and quick success in life.



James Murdaugh Bain, Jr.

Norfolk, Virginia

Armor

Civil Engineering

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; Football, 4; Track Team, 4, 3, 2; Monogram Club, 3, 2, 1; Canterbury Club, 4, 3; Tidewater Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; A. S. C. E., 3, 2, 1; O. G. A., 1.

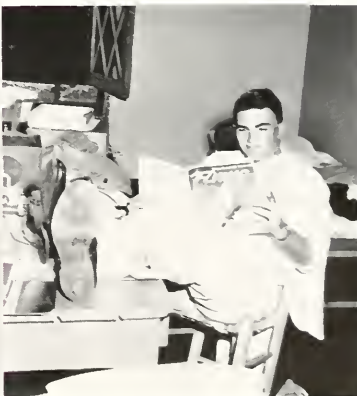
"Jim Bo", as he is called, has long been a personality of V. M. I. barracks life. A true advocate of individualism he has his own ideas on how things should be done. Not being a "high-brow" in the academic department he makes up for this lack by plain determination and guts. Jim can be found almost any afternoon "sacked-out" as he believes rest is the key to health. At this rate he will qualify as the healthiest person alive. A confirmed bachelor now, but we'll wait and see what the future holds for him. It should be full and exciting.



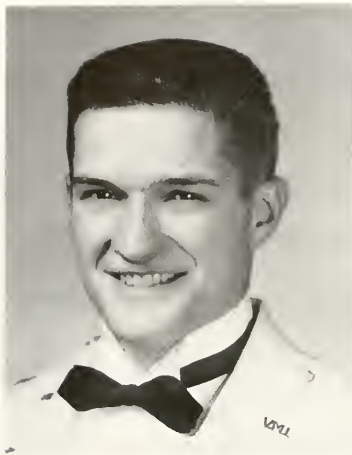
"Jack"



"J. O."



"Jim Bo"



Raymond Conway Baker, Jr.

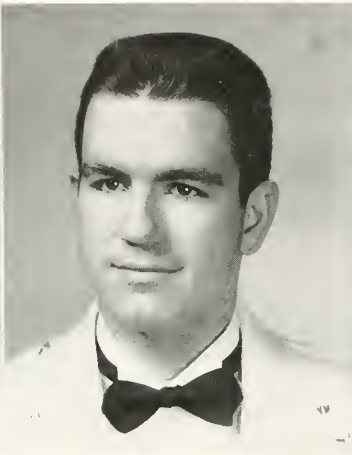
Yonkers, New York

Air Force

History

Private, 4, 3; Corporal, 3; Sergeant, 2; 1st Lieutenant, 1; International Relations Club, 3, 2; Armed Forces Club, 3, 2; History Club, 1; Rat Wrestling, 4; Air Force Rifle Team, 3; Judo Club, 1.

V. M. I. will lose one of its strongest adherents to the system, when Conway Baker graduates. Conway's sincerity of purpose and devotion to duty has greatly benefited the school and will in the future lead him to the culmination of that goal which he is striving so hard to reach. His close personal friends will miss him for his great and subtle loyalty while the underclassmen who met his wrath will have a more comfortable sleep, and the class of '58 should say a prayer of thanks that "Bake" is an alumnus and not then a member of the Corps.



David Maghee Barker

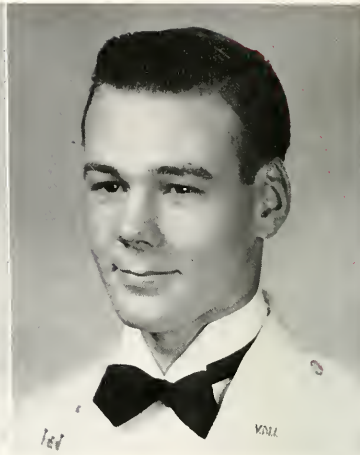
Columbia, Virginia

Air Force

Civil Engineering

Private, 4, 3; Corporal, 3; Sergeant, 2; 1st Lieutenant, 1; Intramurals, American Society of Civil Engineers, 2, 1; Chairman of Ship Management, 1; Visual Aids Committee, 1; Armed Forces Club, 2; Cadet Waiter, 1; Officer of the Guard Association; Vice-President, 1.

When Dave gave up his cadetship on the day to give V. M. I. a whirl he had no idea what was in store for him. Like the rest of us he was young and naive and decided to do the best he could. After being a high ranking corporal and sergeant he turned in his stripes to the book and became one of "Liz's" top civils. A summer job in "Liz's" shop was very fateful for Dave for there he met Liz and never was quite the same for the rest of his cadetship. Dave's sincere friendliness and willingness to help out in any situation have endeared him to all of us. Whatever field of endeavor he may choose will certainly be getting one of the best, and with Liz he can't miss.



John W. Barlow

Silver Spring, Maryland

Artillery

Civil Engineering

Guidon Bearer, 1; Private, 2; Corporal, 3; Private, 4; A. S. C. E., 3, 2, 1; Intramurals, 4, 3, 2, 1; Intramural Manager, 2, 1; Tidewater Club, 3, 2, 1; Cadet Waiter, 1.

"Bunny", a name used only by a few friends, has been doing his best to break the hearts of young ladies for the past four years. Perhaps he will find the right one in the future. To all who know him, his warm personality and continental manners have won friends for life. A supreme believer in athletics, he has certainly done his part while at V. M. I. The intramural corner is losing a good man who was willing to put his "all" into developing a better program not only for "old F-Co.", but for the school.

A hard-working man who gets things done exemplifies "Bunny". If ability counts, he would get the rating "Future Assured."



"Conway"



"Dave"



"John"

CLASS



Quentin Thomas Barrett

Alexandria, Virginia

Air Force

Biology

Private, 4, 2, 1; Corporal, 3; Virginia Academy of Science, 4, 3, 2, 1; International Relations Club, 1; Officer of the Guard Association, 1; Rifle Team, 4, 3, 2, 1.

Entering V. M. I. in that fateful fall of '51, Q. T. was immediately positive that he did not like the unfriendly military atmosphere but tried to make the best of it.

Never one to turn down a good party or any other kind of party for that matter, his most eventful year was probably his third. Outsmarted by the opposite sex, he joined the ranks of many who gave miniatures out foolishly, only to find he had the wrong girl all the time.

He has had combat with not only "Doc" but also the famous chemists, Les and Butch, and claims to be a member of the Farmer's Society.

Whether it be in the field of Medicine or the Air Force, we are sure that Tommy will go far up the hill of success.



John L. Barthelmess

Savannah, Georgia

Air Force

Biology

Lutheran Club, 4, 3, 2; Virginia Academy of Science, 4, 3, 2; Armed Forces Club, 3, 2; Corporal, 3; International Relations Club, 2; Religious Council, 2; Glee Club, 2; Publicity Director of Glee Club, 1; Rat Baseball; Intramural Football, 4; Assistant Manager of Swimming Team, 2; Manager, 1.

Although "Geechee Boy" left us to try college life for a semester, he returned just as sassy as ever to the old "Bre'r Rats". We all enjoy Bart's ability to have fun, but his complete unselfishness makes him the kind of friend we want to keep for life. The combination of these traits assures John a fruitful life as a doctor.



David Todd Baskett, Jr.

Richmond, Virginia

Armor

Civil Engineering

Private, 4; Corporal, 3; Sergeant, 2; Lieutenant, 1; Glee Club, 4; Armed Forces Club, 3, 2; A. S. C. E., 3, 2, 1; Richmond Club, 1, 3, 2, 1.

Dave, a member of the slide rule clan who graduated in spite of sleeping during his cadetship, has done much at V. M. I. He has never wavered from his firm principles and has won respect for them. We know his ideas will lead him to a successful and respected career.



"Q. T."



"John"



"Dave"

BOMB



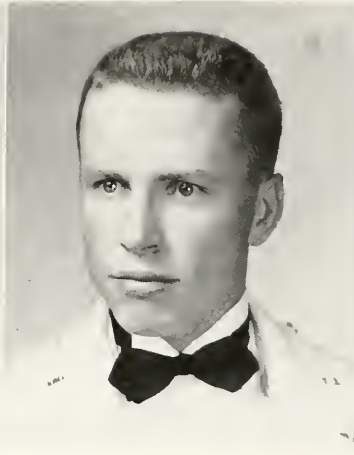
Richard Aubrey Baugh

Tazewell, Virginia

Air Force Electrical Engineering

Southwest Virginia Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; American Institute of Electrical Engineers, 3, 2, 1; Private, 4, 3, 2, 1.

Lexington lasses sighed while Tazewell, Virginia's cuties cried; "Lover" Baugh had invaded V. M. I. Dick maintains that lovers are not only born, but they are also made. Sports writers have asked, "who developed Sammy Baugh"; we are equally perplexed over the identity of Dick's coach. Intricate mathematical problems in E. E. have made an engineer of him but that pleasant smile sprinkled with innocence has remained the same. Our friendship has been won by his easy going and quiet reserved manner. The Air Force will be occupying our boy's next few years, after that he will be trading silvertans for civies.



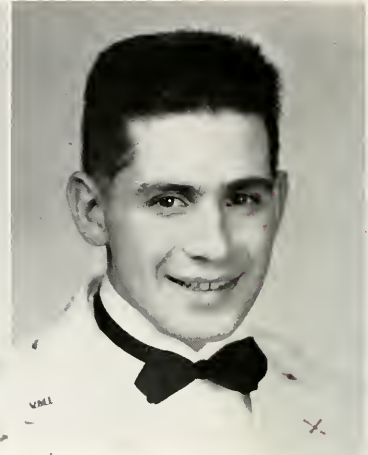
Robert Scott Beale

Franklin, Virginia

Air Force Civil Engineering

Private, 4; Corporal, 3; Sergeant, 2; Lieutenant, 1; S. C. E. 3, 2, 1; Tidewater Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; Methodist Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; Varsity Baseball, 4, 3, 2, 1; Baseball Monogram, 2; Varsity Indoor Track, 4; Blood Bowl, 3, 2; Intramural (Football), 3, 2, 1; Basketball, 3, 2, 1; Track, 4, 3, 2, 1; Volleyball, 3, 2, 1; Softball, 2; Swimming, 4; Cadet Waiter, 1; Armed Forces Club, 2.

Although Bob may first appear to be easy going, he has proven to be one of the hardest and most energetic driving cadets that V. M. I. has produced. Not only did he rise from the ranks to be one of the best cadet officers, but also achieved the same honors in his academics. It doesn't take long for this monogram outfielder to win the friendship of those who meet him. His "Southern Patience" can't be matched, especially after rooming with the same two Yankee roommates during his four years at V. M. I.



Michael Mitchell Belenky

Detroit, Michigan

Artillery Biology

Private, 4; Corporal, 3; Supply Sergeant, 2; Lieutenant, 1; International Relations Club, 3, 2; President, 1; Virginia Organization of International Relations Clubs, 3, 2; Parliamentarian, 1; Cadet Staff, Associate Editor, 2; Feature Editor, 1; BOMB Staff, Associate Editor, 1; Virginia Intercollegiate Press Association, 2; 1; Virginia Academy of Science, 4, 3, 2, 1; Glee Club, 4, 3; Armed Forces Club, 2; English-Speaking Union of the United States, 1.

As proof of the adage, "The Sun Never Sets on the British Empire," even the Class of '55 has one of the Queen's loyal Americans. A man of many and varied interests, "Mr. U. N." is perhaps best known for his untiring efforts in introducing us to the wonders of the "foggy isles," and in promoting international relations.

As a pre-med and ardent exponent of the spit-and-polish school, Mike has seen his academic and military fortunes fluctuate with the tide, but he has always managed to end up on top.



"Dick"



"Bobby"



"Bo"

CLASS



John Louis Botjer

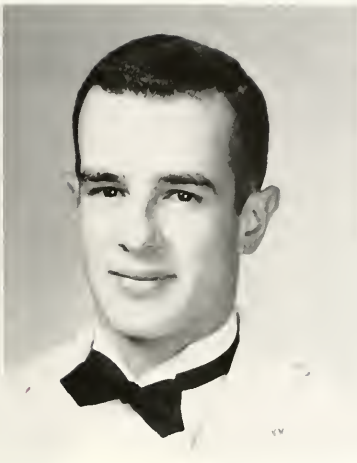
Fort Lee, New Jersey

Artillery

Electrical Engineering

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; Glee Club, 4; Freshman Wrestling; Yankee Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; A. I. E. E., 3, 2, 1; Radio Club, 3, 2; O. G. A., 1; Sound Technician, 1.

Hey "Botch" can you help me with this problem? The answer has always been yes and this type of action has characterized John Botjer's life at the Institute. He has worked hard and he has played hard. The friends he has made are numbered in the many. He has always been a leader in the philosophical discussions carried on weekly at the "Central Lunch." This bit of writing does not do him justice. In the years to come the name of John Botjer will be often heard in electrical engineering circles.



Jeremiah Joseph Bourke

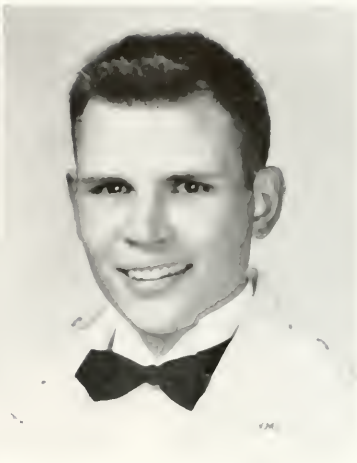
Grosse Pointe, Michigan

Armor

Biology

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; Glee Club, 3, 2; Cross Country, 4, 3, 2; Captain, 1; Tennis, 4, 3, 2, 1; Outdoor Track, 3, 2, 1; Indoor Track, 3, 2, 1; V. A. S., 4, 3, 2, 1; O. G. A., 1; Armed Forces Club, 2, 1.

Jerry walked into V. M. I. nearly four long years ago in a fog and that little white cloud can still be seen surrounding his head. Yes, he is the world's slowest human except on the track where he pounded his four years. Certainly the boys who knew him here will miss his shiny nose, gross shoes, and smiling face always in the rear rank of Band Company.



Robert Henry Bowden, Jr.

Madisonville, Kentucky

Artillery

Biology

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; Rifle Team, 4, 3, 2, 1; Virginia Academy of Science, 4, 3, 2, 1; Armed Forces Club, 3, 2, 1; Archeological Club, 2, 1; Monogram Minstrel, 3, 2, 1; O. G. A., 1.

Once in a blue moon, there comes to the "Institute", a man whose shoes are impossible to fill after his graduation. That's Bob—with his 14-D's! One of the best known and most liked men at V. M. I., his "homespun" philosophy, pipe collection, and Kentucky tall-tales have made his fame second only to that of Daniel Boone. Needless to say, he is one of "Doc's boys" and one of his hardest workers. As a doctor, we all know that Bob will be a success. The medical profession will find him a person who is competent and conscientious, and a man who practices ethics and possesses a fine understanding of people.



"Botj"



"Jerry"



"Bob"

BOMB



Frank Alger Boxley

Roanoke, Virginia

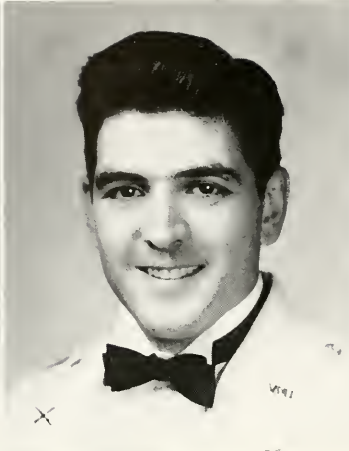
Armor

Civil Engineering

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; Monogram Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; A. S. C. E., 4, 3, 2, 1; Football, 4, 3, 2, 1; Swimming, 4, 3, 2, 1; Co-Captain Swimming, 1; Vice-President Monogram Club, 1.

Frank Boxley—"Submariner".

Ole Frank Boxley will always be the perfect example of "Ole Brer Fox". "Stick-a-whizzer's" four years at V. M. I. have been an asset not only to Frank, but to all those who have shared all the heart breaks and joys of V. M. I. barracks life. Frank will always be successful in that he is blessed with a most congenial personality and well-developed sense of humor. Frank's participation and leadership in athletics add to his attributes. "Web Foot" Boxley, better known as "Chris-Craft", can churn the H2O with the best of mariners. In closing, we want to wish our tall, dark, and handsome web-footed buddy the best in life.



Morton Bregman

Alexandria, Virginia

The Power *Civil Engineering*

Private, 4; Corporal, 3; Sergeant, 2; Private, 1; Honor Committee, 3, 2, 1; Religious Council, 3, 2, 1; Rat Wrestling Team, 4; Assistant Coach of Rat Baseball Team, 3; A. S. C. E., 3, 2, 1; O. G. A., 1.

Four years ago Morton came to V. M. I. with the determination to put his "brotherhood" in every way. Morton has distinguished himself by entering into as many extra-curricular activities as time would permit, and he has indeed been a credit to every organization in which he has served.

While at V. M. I., Morton has always exhibited a willingness to help his fellowman and a firmness of purpose which will carry him to the heights of success in whatever field of occupation he chooses to enter.



Joseph Reyner Brenner

Drexel Hill, Pennsylvania

Air Force

Civil Engineering

Private, 4; Corporal, 3; Sergeant, 2; Lieutenant, 1; Distinguished in general merit, 4, 3, 2, 1; (Academic Stars) Distinguished Military Student; Religious Council, 2, 1; Armed Forces Club, 3, 2, 1; American Society of Civil Engineers, 3, 2, 1; Reporter, 3; Editor Annual Report, 2.

Still a devout Yankee, but mellowed with a touch of the South from having worn the gray, Joe was determined to give his best to every task and has been at the top of the Civils all the way. Hard working, but always smiling, he has pulled many of "Buzz's Boys" through a rough night, and participated in the hottest bull sessions with a consistent philosophy of taking things seriously except when they interfere with life's real humor. Good luck, "great big max"; we're confident that your dynamic personality and steadfast determination will bring you to the top.



"Frank"



"Morty"



"Joe"



Daniel Clark Brittigan

Marietta, Ohio

Armor Civil Engineering

Private, 4; Corporal, 3; Private, 2; Lieutenant, 1; Cross-Country, Indoor, Outdoor Track Manager, 3, 2, 1; Commanders, 3, 2, 1; Leader, 1; A. S. C. E., 3, 2, 1; Armed Forces Club, 3, 2; Officer of the Guard Association, 1; Distinguished Military Student, 1; O. G. A., 1.

Marietta's loss of its favorite "hand booster" turned out to be an asset for V. M. I. Dan spent most of the past four years as a "gross" private, but now emerges from the Institute as an even "grosser" officer. Although "Brute Force" spent many hours working on the track, undoubtedly his fame as a lover is more widespread. His motto: "Tis better to be snowed and thaw, than not to be snowed at all." It appears now that there will be no more thawing for Dan.—Good luck with him Betsy.



Francis Doswell Brooke

Richmond, Virginia

Army Engineers Civil Engineering

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; Cadet Staff, 4; American Society of Civil Engineers, 3, 2, 1; Varsity Soccer, 3, 2; Officer of the Guard Association, 1.

Frank arrived in silence amid confusion, and remained silent (except on weekends) during his entire cadetship. He had a very persistent, plugging attitude which served him well at the Institute, and which will doubtless serve him well in life. Always ready to party, "silent Frank" revealed a very warm personality when away from the daily grind. This boy from the "Holy City" was quite a man with the ladies, too—when he finally picks and chooses, whoever she is will marry a man who is a credit to both the State of Virginia and to V. M. I.



Emory A. Brown

Waynesboro, Virginia

Air Force Civil Engineering

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; A. S. C. E., 3, 2, 1; O. G. A. Representative, 1; Intramurals, 1, 3, 2, 1.

Emory Brown hailed from the hills of Waynesboro and rapidly achieved high popularity among his brother rats. Emory worked diligently during the weeks towards his academics, but during the weekends he could be found on the various campuses that offered the feminine touch. "Em" was also a member of the "Jet" Club, which rose to a notorious reputation during his junior and senior years. We know that Emory will be successful in whatever he attempts to do, and we want him to know that the Class of '55 is behind him all the way.



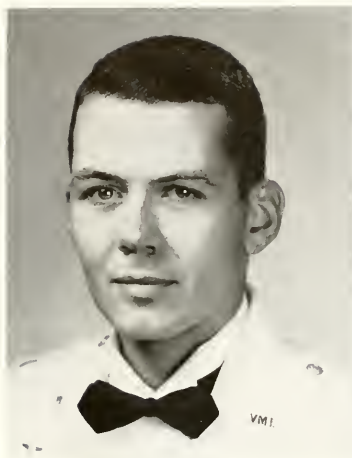
"Dan"



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"Emory"



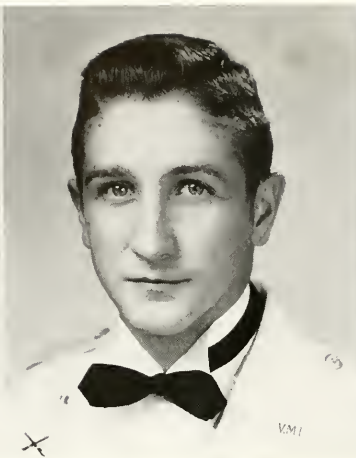
Howard Harold Bundy, II

Box 1, Altamonte Springs, Florida

Air Force Electrical Engineering

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; A. I. E. E., 3, 2, 1; Armed Forces Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; Track, 4; Swimming, 3; Cadet Staff, 4; O. C. A., 1.

Howie has waged a personal battle at V. M. I. against the more restricting regulations and the elements of higher mathematics for the past 4 years. Although there were times of darkness and despair, he never once lost hope, and has finally emerged triumphant with new worlds to conquer. With his friendly humor and easy smile, he is sure to add brightness to the life of everyone he meets, and to achieve success whether exploring the world at 60,000 feet or the ever more mysterious scope of the electron.



Ronald Michael Bryan

Roanoke, Virginia

Artillery Civil Engineering

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; V. Wrestling, 3; Varsity Wrestling, 1; Monogram, 2, 1; Roanoke Club; American Society of Civil Engineers; Officer of the Guard Association; Cadet Warrior, 1; Intramural Wrestling, Section C-1.

Ronnie came out of the Star City for the first time to attend V. M. I. He had no previous military training but quickly adapted himself to it although with some reluctance. Throughout his cadetship he has been known for his athletic ability and warm smile. During his first cadet year he has been very active in several business enterprises all of which are preparing for his forthcoming marriage to Norma Jean. Ronnie has the ability and drive to get ahead. With a personality such as his we are sure he will succeed.



William T. Bryant

Lynchburg, Virginia

Air Science Civil Engineering

American Society of Civil Engineers, 3, 2, 1; Rifle Team, 4, 3, 2, 1; Officer of the Guard Association, 1; Armed Forces Club, 4, 3, 2; Lynchburg Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; Private, 4, 2, 1; Corporal, 3.

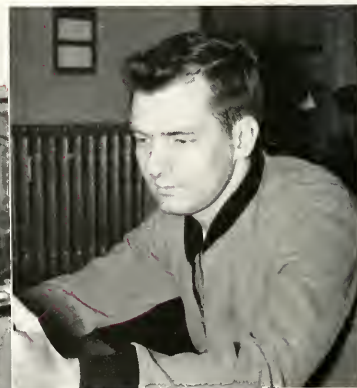
After spending his rat, third, and second class years at V. M. I. Bill enlisted in the Corps of Engineers and spent two years in Europe. He returned to complete his cadetship last year and quickly won the friendship of our class with his warm good nature. Bill is a hard worker but still can find time to help out one of his adopted brother rats with a structures problem. Good luck to you, Bill; we know you will enjoy a successful, happy life.



"Howie"



"Ronnie"



"Bill"

CLASS



Charles Frederick Byrd

Jackson, Mississippi

Air Force

Civil Engineering

Private, 4; Corporal, 3; Sergeant, 2; Lieutenant, 1; Track, 4, 3, 2, 1; Football, 4, 3, 2, 1 (Captain); Basketball, 2, 1 (Co-Captain); Monogram Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; American Society of Civil Engineers, 4, 3, 2, 1; *Who's Who In American Colleges and Universities*, 1; Honor Court, 1.

Charlie came to V. M. I. from the clay hills of Mississippi with only two things in mind; one to graduate and the other to get married. Charlie will always be remembered for his quiet easy going way and his great athletic ability. The "too" has had a busy four years with his studies, activities, athletics, and letter writing. Charlie has filled a big spot in the Class of '55 and will always be thought of by his brother rats as a friend indeed. May you always find happiness and success, Charlie, for you surely deserve it.



David Thomas Hugh Campbell, Jr.

Park Ridge, Illinois

Infantry

Civil Engineering

Private, 4; Corporal, 3; Sergeant, 2; First Lieutenant, 1; Glee Club, 4; Armed Forces Club, 4; Cadet Staff, 4; Canterbury Club, 4, 3; Lutheran Club, 2; American Institute of Physics, 3; American Society of Civil Engineers, 2, 1; D. M. S.; Timmons' Music Club, 1; Varsity Rifle Team, 4, 3, 2, 1; Cadet Waiter, 1.

Want to buy a car? Cigarettes . . . anything? This is how we all know Dave—the barracks "entrepreneur". It is for certain that he will be successful in life because if times get hard he can sell most anything. His friendly smile and helping hand has gotten him a long way and will continue to do so in the future, due to his being precise in all his undertakings. A lot of luck to him and the girl he thinks most about.



Richard Madison Camper

Covington, Virginia

Armor

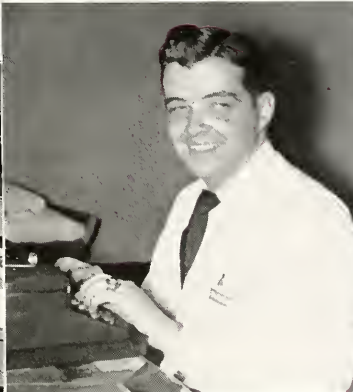
Civil Engineering

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; Football, 4; Wrestling, 2; A. S. C. E., 4, 3, 2, 1; Armed Forces Club, 4; O. G. A., 1.

Dick came to us as a product of nearby Covington and immediately established himself as one of the rorks of our class. He could be counted on at any time for a party or anything related to a party. He did not however, let this take up all of his time since he managed to rank as one of Buzz's better ditch diggers. We know that Dick will do big things in life and that the Marines could not hope to get a better man than he.



"Charlie"

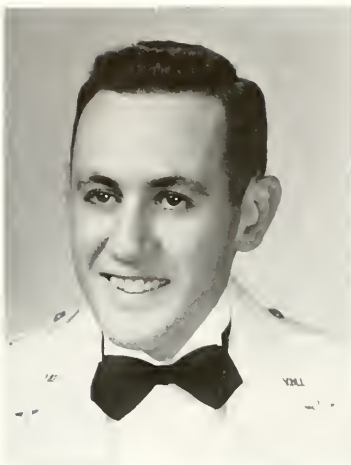


"Dave"



"Dick"

BOMB



Philip Richard Cancelliere

Cambria Heights, New York

Air Force

History

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; Newman Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; Secretary-Treasurer of the Newman Club, 3; Armed Forces Club, 4, 3; History Club, 2, 1.

Phil is a History major that has been at V. M. I. so long he is studying his own history. He is unusual in that he has actually studied history and not his "sack". Even so, there will be none so happy as Phil in June when he finally leaves V. M. I., even if it means going into the Air Force.

We know that he will be just as well liked and successful wherever he goes as he has been here. Enjoy good luck, you have earned it, Phil.



Kennedy Peter Carstens

Alexandria, Louisiana

Artillery

History

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; History Club, 3, 2, 1; Monogram Club, 3, 2, 1; Deep South Club, 2, 1; Golf Team, 4, 3, 2, 1; Golf Magazine, 3, 2, 1; Captain Golf Team, 1; Football, 1; Officer of the Guard Association, 1.

V. M. I.'s "Ben Hogan of the Bayou" has firmly established himself as one of the more popular members of the Corps. Ken has utilized his four years as a true V. M. I. alternating his valuable time between getting in and out of the sack. However, underneath it all, you can see pure industriousness when the chips are down and the clock counts. As this advocate of whiff, omen, and golf leaves us, we know that he will be a success in all walks of life.



Troy Holman Carter

Portsmouth, Virginia

Infantry

Civil Engineering

Football, 4, 3, 2, 1; Track, 4, 3, 2, 1; Wrestling, 4, 3; Armed Forces Club, 1; American Society of Civil Engineers, 4, 3, 2, 1; Southern Conference Shot Put Champion, 2, 1.

It took time and work but Troy has proven to be an outstanding example of hard work and determination, which will carry him far in life. Having had a promising football career cut short by injuries Troy has since become a definite asset to the track squad. His patience and kind sense of humor will definitely carry him to great success and happiness in life.



"Phil"



"Ken"



"Troy"

CLASS



William Raymond Castner

Dahlgren, Virginia

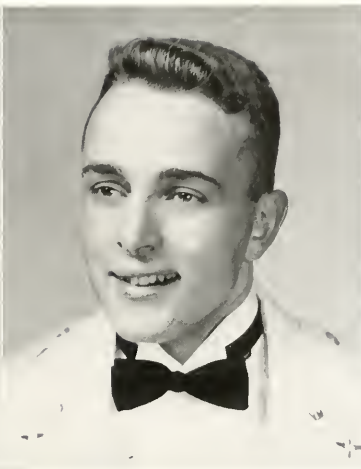
Air Force

Electrical Engineering

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; A. I. E. E., 2, 1; Armed Forces Club, 2, 1; O. G. A.

From the Naval Proving Ground at Dahlgren, came young Ray Castner, and it didn't take him long to prove deserving of the gray.

Ray has never been one to call attention to himself; instead he has concentrated on his main ambition, to enter the Air Force as a graduate E. E. His Institute activities have closely paralleled his ambitions, namely his membership in the A. I. E. E. and the Armed Forces Club. We know the odds are heavily in favor of his making the grade.



Joseph Michael Cestaro

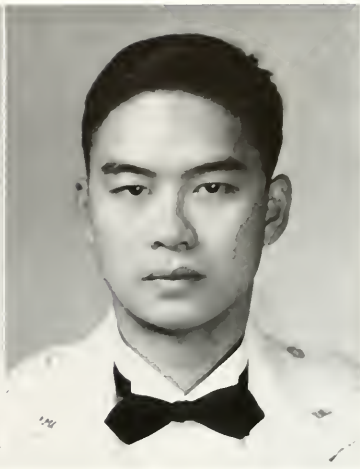
Glen Head, New York

Air Force

Civil Engineering

Private, 4, 2, 1; Corporal, 3; Swimming, 4; Intramural Softball, 4, 3, 2, 1; Intramural Officiating Squad, 2, 1; A. S. C. E., 3, 2, 1; Newman Club, 4, 3, 2; Officer of the Guard Association, 1; Armed Forces Club, 2, 1.

Joe came to V. M. I. as a true son of the North, but soon found himself converted to the Southern Cause. (Loves those Southern Belles.) He holds top honors in out-flanking the Institute by maintaining a car for three years. Being an ardent boxing fan, you can often find him strolling to the gym with gloves in hand. Never finding studies too easy, he has worked hard on his academics throughout his four years. Always content to be just one of the boys, we have never known him to turn down a good brawl. Joe has made many good friends here at the Institute and is bound to succeed in whatever he undertakes.



Shu Park Chan

Canton, China

Infantry

Electrical Engineering

Private, 3, 2, 1; Armed Forces Club, 3; O. G. A., 1.

After serving as a second lieutenant in the Chinese Nationalist Army and attending Susquehanna and Columbia University, Park came to V. M. I. as a brother rat of '36. He is perhaps best known for his quiet serious manner and his rigid study habits. After graduate work, his ambition is to return to his country and become a teacher.



"Ray"

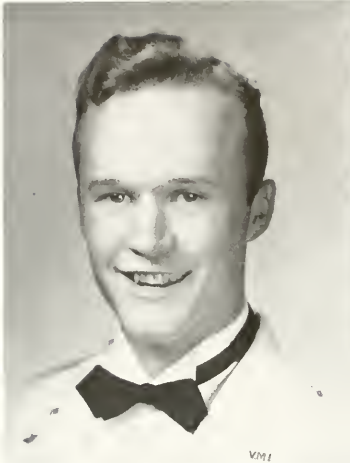


"Joe"



"Charlie"

BOMB



Leon Jerald Cock

Meadows Of Dan, Virginia

Air Force

Civil Engineering

Private, 4, 1; Corporal, 3; Sergeant, 2; American Society of Civil Engineers, 4, 3, 2, 1; Baptist Club, 4, 3; Cadet Staff, 1; O. G. A., 1; D. M. S., 2.

Despite the fact that he spends more time in the sack than an L. A., Leon is one of "Uncle Buzz's" top civils. A rebel country boy, he's always ready to put up a fight for the Southland or the Air Force. Leon's friendly smile, his willingness to help others, and "Stoop Poop" have made him a popular member of the Corps. The one thing he never did accomplish however, was to have Frances to a dance. Whatever he may undertake after graduation we're sure Leon will find success in the sunny clime of Florida.



Robert Emmet Cofer III

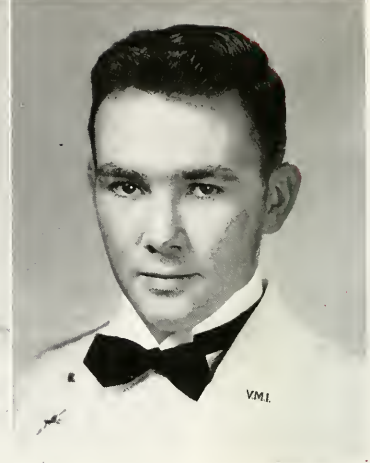
Washington, D. C.

Air Force

Electrical Engineering

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; Company Clerk, 1; Swimming, 4, 3, 2, 1; Firewater Club, 4; American Institute of Electrical Engineers, 3, 2, 1; Academic Wars, 3; O. G. A., 1.

"Big Bob" being a naval officer's son came to us from many places called home. He is of late operating out of the capital city. Bob is one of the good Colonel's Electrical Engineers having chosen that as his life's work after his first of duty in Uncle Sam's Air Force. Girls, sports and academics have been the theme of Bob's stay at V. M. I. and he has been eminently successful in all. Here is a man that has been a credit to himself and to V. M. I.



Rosser Ryan Cole

Norman, Oklahoma

Armor

Biology

Private, 4, 2, 1; Corporal, 3; Varsity Wrestling, 4, 3; Monogram Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; Archeology Club, 2, 1; Virginia Academy of Science, 4, 3, 2, 1; Armed Forces Club, 2; Timmons Music Club, 2, 1; Vice-President, 1; International Relations Club, 1; O. G. A.

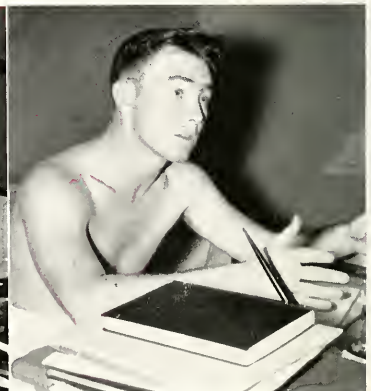
"Bucky" came to the Institute from the flatlands of Oklahoma, and immediately began to win friends and influence people with his ready smile and great personality. The pre-med course kept our boy pretty busy, but not too busy to do a little traveling around the country side, where he also influenced a few people. With his fine personality and keen desire to study medicine, we know Buck will be an asset to the medical profession.



"Leon"

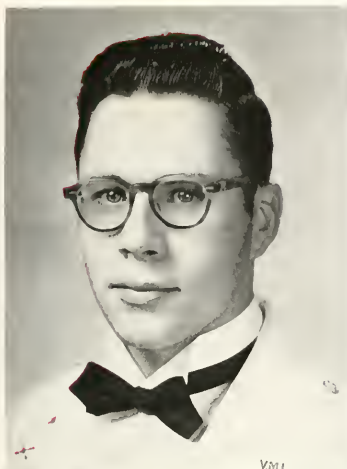


"Bob"



"Bucky"

CLASS



Lamar William Coleman

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Artillery

Physics

Private, 4, 2, 1; Corporal, 3; American Institute of Physics, 4, 3, 2, 1; Armed Forces Club, 1; **BOMB** Staff, 1; *Cadet* Staff, 4; Company Clerk, 1; O. G. A., 1.

Lamar is one of the goodly number of Yankees who started with us in 1951. He presently resides in the city of brotherly love but due to his father's profession, a military one, he has spent different amounts of time in many parts of the world. He is best known by his brother rats and friends as a hard worker and a very serious minded person. By showing these qualities he has risen to the leading positions of his Artillery and Physics sections. With these accomplishments in mind, we cannot see how he can fail to succeed in whatever endeavor he may undertake.



Ronald Curtis Coleman

Farmville, Virginia

Corps of Engineers

Civil Engineering

Private, 4; Corporal, 3; Sergeant, 2; Lieutenant, 1; Glee Club, 3, 2, 1; Business Manager, 1; Southside Virginia Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; Secretary-Treasurer, 2; American Society of Civil Engineers, 4, 3, 2, 1; Distinguished Military Student, 1; Rifle Team, 3.

Ron came to us from sunny Southside Virginia, and quickly fell into the V. M. I. swing of things. The overflowing personality of this true Southerner is always shining whether at a rathskeller or hobnobbing with the country's greats. A party would not be complete without Ron reciting "The Cremation of Sam Magee" or "Casey at the Bat".

This true leader will certainly make Uncle Sam, and eventually, private enterprise proud of his achievements as he climbs to the heights no matter what field he chooses.



George Raymond Collins

Andover, Massachusetts

Armor

Biology

Private, 4, Corporal, 3; Sergeant, 2; Private, 1; Varsity Football, 4, 3, 2, 1; Monogram Club, 3, 2, 1; Virginia Academy of Science, 4, 3, 2, 1; Flower Committee; 1955 Ring Figure Committee; Officer of the Guard Association, 1.

Four years ago this burly, Boston Yankee came to V. M. I. and won the respect and friendship of all who knew him. George culminated his athletic career in his senior year as a stalwart end on the Big Red Team. In the off season he became a "weekend Warrior" and performed at social functions with as much ease as he did on the football field. Success is just around the corner for this quiet, amiable guy whom we are sure will be a great dentist in the near future.



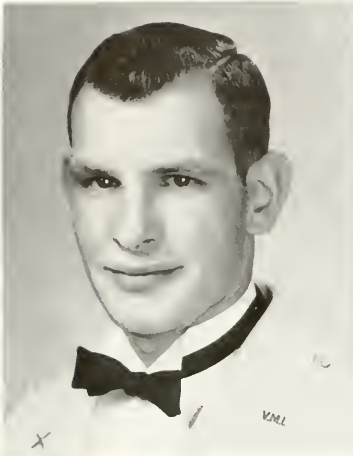
"Lamar"



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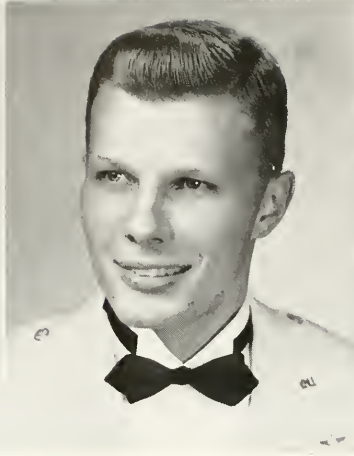


Burton Jesse Conway
Clearfield, Pennsylvania

Artillery *Chemistry*

Private, 4; Private, 3; Sergeant, 2; Private, 1; Lutheran Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; Vice-President, 2; President, 1; Religious Council, 2, 1; President, 1; Armed Forces Club, 1; American Chemical Society, 3, 2, 1; Cadet Waiter, 1; Academic Stars, 2; Vice-President of the Virginia Area Lutheran Student Association, 2; President, 1; Distinguished Military Student.

Making his way from the Oriental land of Japan, "B. J." came to rest at our famed Institute and set out to master the art of test tube washing and solution mixing. Spending most of his time in New Market with feminine interests, "B. J." was never seen in Lexington on a weekend. After making an excellent showing as president of the Religious Council and attaining high academic standing, "B. J." is now aiming at a genuine college life (with his feminine interest) at Purdue. But no matter whether it's taking weekends or figuring out how to get ten more minutes of sack time, he will attain his goal and be a success. Good luck to you "B. J."



Robert McCleod Cooper
Rocky Mount, Virginia

Dr. Engng *Civil Engineering*

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; Football, 4, 2, 1; American Society of Civil Engineers, 4, 3, 2, 1; Roanoke Club, 4, 3, 2, 1.

"They fast, want to be a slimy blouse?" Bobby will sell anything. A tall mountaineer from Rocky Mount, he will sell anything once or twice. Bob has taken his four at the Institute to stride with many weekends at Hollins and vicinity. He is known around the barracks as the poor man's Eddie Arnold.



William Randolph Coupland
Gibson Island, Maryland

Air Force *Electrical Engineering*

Corporal, 3; Private, 4, 2, 1; Vice President of Class, 3; General Committee Representative, 3, 1; O. G. A. Representative, 1; Figure Committee, 2; Class Ring Committee, 2; Class Emblem Committee, 3; Distinguished Military Student, 2.

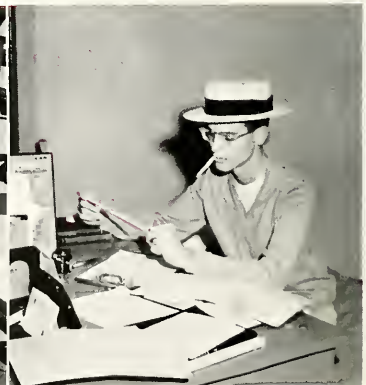
"Coups" came to us as a true yachtsman (having been selected as the Marlon Brando of the Gibson Island Yacht Club). A true sailor, his sleek schooner and prevailing wind have won the admiration of many a darling beauty on the high seas. A lover of good liquor and exotic parties, his warm personality and dependability have gained him many friends at the Institute. "Coups" has been able to mold these capabilities into the highest of leadership ability and will inevitably pursue life in a most exemplary manner.



"B. J."



"Bob"



"Bill"

CLASS



William Branner Criddle, Jr.
Richmond, Virginia

Air Force

Chemistry

Private, 4; Corporal, 3; Private, 2, 1; Cadet Staff, 4, 3; American Chemical Society, 3, 2, 1; Turn-Out Staff, 2, 1; Freshman Track Team; Armed Forces Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; Richmond Club; Crow's Nest Lodge.

Bill came to us from ole T. J., fully versed and precisioned in the military, and running true to course, left it there. Prominent among Les' "Bunsen Boys", his conscientious academic labors have rewarded him with a promising career in the Du Pont family. Bill's capturing smile and boisterous laugh will long be remembered from the Crow's Nest to Ft. Lauderdale, Florida, and his keen mind, mixed with a lighthearted nature, insure him the fullest future possible with numerous successes and many grins. Best of luck, Bill. Knock 'em dead in Joisey!



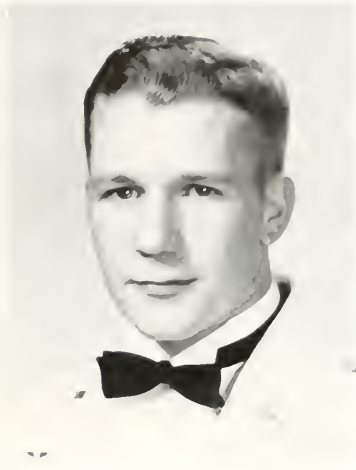
Louis Michael Damiano
North Adams, Massachusetts

Armor

Biology

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; Newman Club, 4, 3; Armed Forces Club, 2; Virginia Academy of Sciences, 4, 3, 2, 1; International Relations Club, 2; Intramural Basketball, 3, 2; Assistant Head Cadet Waiter, 1; Officer of the Guard Association, 1.

Lou is a very poised and sedate personality with a keen competitive outlook and being very strongly enticed by sports he displayed his basketball prowess with the "D" Company intramural team. He has a highly regarded academic record and his future interest is medicine. He will attend the University of Maryland Medical School next year with high ambition of becoming a successful medical practitioner.



William Robert Davidson
Jonesville, Virginia

Air Force

Civil Engineering

Private, 4, 1; Corporal, 3; Sergeant, 2; Armed Forces Club, 1; A. S. C. E., 3, 2, 1; L. L., 2, 1; Southwest Virginia Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; Rat Wrestling, 4; Intramurals, 4, 3, 2, 1; Methodist Club, 4; Company Clerk, 1; Cadet Waiter, 1; O. G. A., 1; Blood Bowl, 1.

No more faithful representative of Southwestern Virginia has ever come to the Institute, nor has anyone brought a better knack for gaining warm friendship.

Bill became synonymous with "good times", and his presence was always felt at "Mike's" and barracks bull sessions.

One thing we can be sure of is that any trials and tribulations of life will easily be overcome with Patti's help and Bill's magnetic personality.



"Bill"

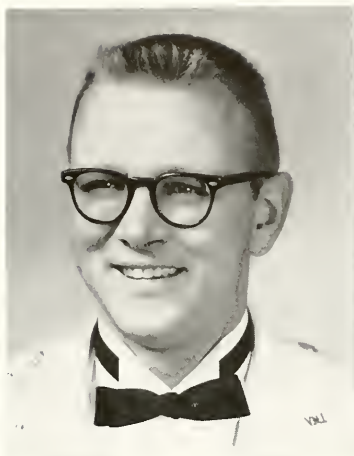


"Lou"



"Bill"

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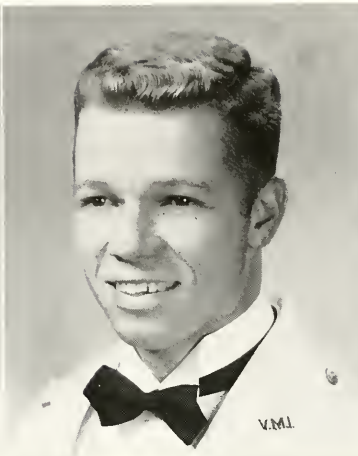


Edward Harold Davis
Fort Lauderdale, Florida

Artillery History

Private, 4, 2, 1; Corporal, 3; Literary Staff, *The Turn-Out*, 4, 3; Literary Editor, 2; Editor, 1; Associate Feature Editor, *The Cadet*, 2; Swimming Team, 4, 1; Monogram Minstrel, 2, 1; Armed Forces Club, 2; History Club, 2, 1; O. G. A., 1; Ring Figure Committee, 2; Crow's Nest Club, 2, 1.

Ed came to Virginia after prepping in Pennsylvania, at the same time changing his residence from New York to Florida, which substantiates the proverbial lure of the Southland. A true cosmopolite, the life of any party, the last of the big spenders, and the only man in barracks who knew what Simpson carried in his suitcase, Ed has demonstrated an unusual ability to absorb that which is worth while and tolerate that which isn't. Ed's striving for perfection paid enduring dividends in his choice of a bride, and we hope the honeymoon will last forever.



Charles Walter Dean
Norfolk, Virginia

Air Force **Pre-Medical**

Private, 4; Corporal, 3; First Sergeant, 2; First Lieutenant, 1; Army Wrestling, 3; Ra. Wrestling, 4; Honor Court, 1; Virginia Academy of Science, 4, 3, 2; Vice-President, 1; Timmons Music Club, 1; Cadet Headwaiter, 1; Tidewater Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; All Intramural Athletics, 4, 3, 2, 1; All Star Intramural Football Team, 2.

"Pete" will long be remembered at the Institute for his genial and easygoing attitude. He rose steadily through the ranks enduring many hardships. He kept up in both rank and studies and did well in both. "Pete" is the type of person that can handle himself in almost any situation as can be shown by his excellent performance as Carter's chairman this year as well as executive officer of his company, "CC" Company's dramatic star will be missed on the athletic field next year. The Medical College of Virginia will gain what V. M. I. has lost.



Clinton Lindfield Denson
Front Royal, Virginia

Artillery *Chemistry*

Private, 4; Corporal, 3; Private, 2, 1;
A. S. C., 3, 2, 1; Cadet Waiter, 1;
Distinguished Student, 2; D. M. S., 2.

Perhaps an old recipe can best describe this wonderful personality: Into a well-rounded person, pour much honesty, sincerity, sympathy, and truth. Add a dash of humor. Mix well with a gentle love for man and a great understanding of life. Stir thoroughly, age slowly, and send out into the world an unforgettable man.



"Eddie"

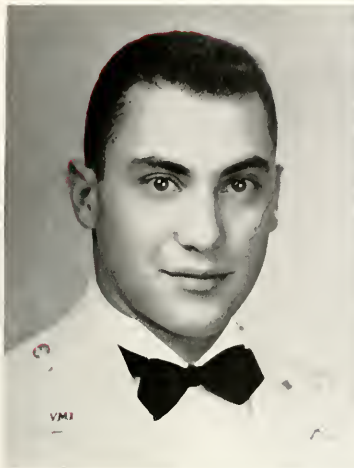


"Pete"



"Denny"

CLASS



Edward Elliot Dicker

New York City

Infantry

English

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; Rat Football; Wrestling; Track; Blood Bowl, 3; Circulation Staff of *Turn-Out*, 3; Armed Forces Club, 1; International Relations Club, 1; Yankee Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; Distinguished in General Merit, 2; O. C. A., 1.

It was in the fall of 1951 that from a city called New York, Ed came to Lexington full of hopes and dreams as did all his brother rats. Through his fleeting, yet prosperous four years at the Institute, many of them have been realized. Probably no greater nor more memorable an experience ever came upon Ed. If pasts predict futures, a bright, useful, and happy one is sure to be his.



Fred Orwin Dorey, Jr.

Richmond, Virginia

Armor

Chemistry

Private, 4, 3, 1; Sergeant, 2; Glee Club, 2, 1; Armed Forces Club, 1; American Chemical Society, 3, 2, 1; Richmond Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; Company O. G. A. Representative, 1; Cadet Waiter, 1; International Relations Club, 1; Monogram Minstrel, 2; Blood Bowl, 3, 1; Rat Football, 4; Intramural Sports, 4, 3, 2, 1; L. L., 2, 1.

V. M. I. has never seen a more gregarious person or one with more vitality than Jack Dorey. Perhaps Jack will be remembered more for his "storming" of Louisville than any other incident or his title he received as the only man in Armor Summer Camp that made the "gim." Du Pont will have a hard and diligent worker in Jack but among the test tubes and chemicals we know he will always find time for his favorite pastime, "living it up." So it's goodbye Lexington, hello Wilmington!



John Francis Drennan, Jr.

Chicopee Falls, Massachusetts

Infantry

Civil Engineering

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; Armed Forces Club, 2, 1; Newman Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; A. S. C. E., 3, 2, 1; O. G. A., 1; Yankee Club, 3, 2, 1.

Jack came to V. M. I. with engineering as his goal; therefore working diligently with the new result of wearing out two slide rules. Besides being one of Buzz's boys, Jack is well known on the intramural courts as an expert on diet—coming from his wide experience in the P.V. With his easy going manner, strength of character and good judgment, we know that success awaits him in the future.



"Ed"

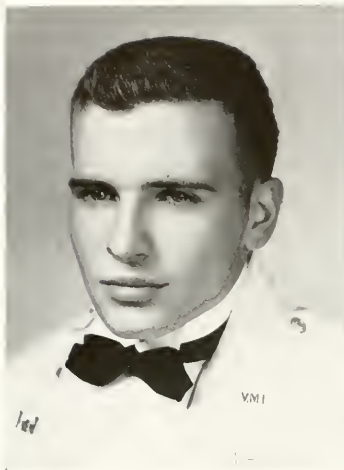


"Jack"



"Jack"

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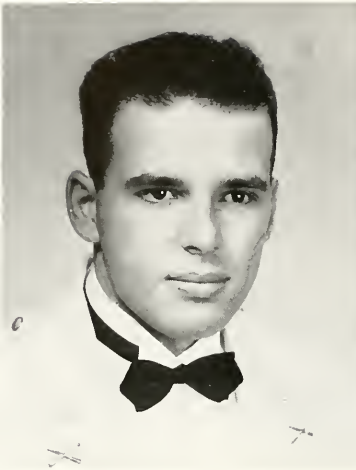
John Francis Dunseth, Jr.
Dayton, Ohio

Engineering Corps Civil Engineering

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; Cross Country, 3, 2, 1; Indoor Track, 3, 2, 1; Outdoor Track, 3, 2, 1; A. S. C. E., 3, 2, 1; Presbyterian Club, 4, 3.

"Dunce" is known as a "cat" with the women from the Southern Seminary to Mary Washington. It's no wonder, since he's never missed a dance and he's known as one of those dance artists.

John may not have been the greatest athlete the track team has ever seen, but he has a never give up attitude and possesses one of the gamest hearts of anyone we have ever known. With these attributes, he is sure to be a success in whatever he undertakes.



Charles Evans Eaton
Brockton, Mass.

English

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; Yankee Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; Wrestling, 4; Baseball, 2, 1; Intramural Basketball, O. G. A., 1.

You could say a thumbnail sketch of Chuck's personality is that he likes people, and with a friendly word for everyone he has become one of the best liked men in our class. Chuck has devoted a large part of his time to sports and physical development while doing well in his liberal arts studies. Good luck in your future in the insurance business, Chuck, and we know you will enjoy a successful happy life.



Charles Little Echols, Jr.
Covington, Virginia

Artillery

Biology

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; Canterbury Club, 4, 3; Cave Club, 4; Virginia Academy of Science, 4, 3, 2, 1; 1955 Ring Figure Committee; Archeological Club, 2, 1; President, 1; BOMB Staff, 1; Class Editor; O. G. A.

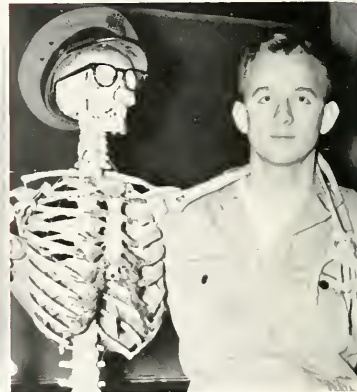
Charlie's roommates and classmates will testify to the fact that he is the best natured brother rat in the Class of '55. He has taken more kidding and ribbing than any man in the barracks deserves, and has still come out on top. He is also one of the most diligent pre-meds in the Biology Department as has been evidenced by his good grades and comprehensive knowledge of his pre-medical courses. "Beady's" future will be determined by his serious nature and sincere purpose to guide him where ever he decides to go.



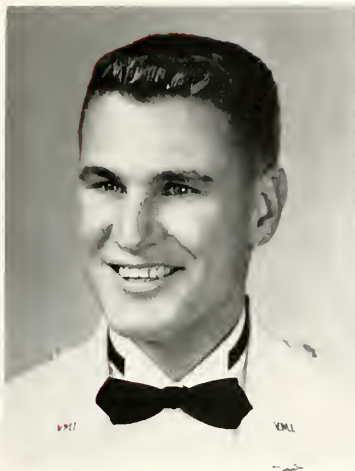
"Dunce"



"Chuck"



"Charlie"



James Howard Edmondson
Dallas, Texas

Armor

History

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; Westminster Fellowship, 4, 3, 2, 1; Armed Forces Club, 2, 1; International Relations Club, 2, 1; History Club, 2, 1; Texas Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; Social Chairman, 1; Model Airplane Club, 1; Vice President, 1; M. D. A., 4, 3, 2.

The fellow in the accompanying picture is one of the Lone Star State's most enthusiastic boosters, who has proven that Texans are not daunted by anything. A co-matriculate with a tremendous sense of humor, a warm sincere personality, and a definite way with the fair damsels; he has won many friends with his easy-going, cheerful philosophy of: "Do what you want to do"—To Jim, a cadet who has made an excellent record for himself, and who has the high ambition of entering the field of litigation, we wish the very best that the future holds, and we feel sure that he will achieve only the best of the future.



John Douglas Ekins, Jr.
Morrisville, Pennsylvania

Armor

Electrical Engineering

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; Yankee Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; Rat Football; American Institute of Electrical Engineers, 2, 1; Officer of the Guard Association, 1.

Since "Albino" came down from Pa. in '51, the boys have adopted a different attitude toward the North Country. He is one of her fairest sons in more than just the physical sense. Doug has always had a habit of getting things done and has been the envy of many of its old procrastinators. He is also quite a dancer. Not only did he dance his way through Jiggs and the E. E. Dept., but has been known to cut a mean rug at some of the other "hot spots" around the institute. The future looks very promising for "Al" because he has the ability and the drive to take him to the top.



William George Ellis
Steubenville, Ohio

Air Force

Biology (Pre-Med)

Private, 3, 1; Sergeant, 2; Newman Club, 2, 1; Virginia Academy of Science, 2, 1; Medical Cadre, 1; Honor Guard—Dedication of the new Catholic Church; O. G. A., 1; Assistant Librarian, 1.

"Young striving Doc Ellis", Steubenville's contribution to barracks, is a little man with a big heart. He possesses a keen desire to learn and to excel, and has succeeded in both of these endeavors while here at V. M. I.

Bill's warm smile and sympathetic attentiveness are two assets that will mean much to him when he becomes a doctor. He loves deep thought, and he delves into the mysteries of philosophy with profound cogitation, no partial explanation or incomplete theory will pass his scrutinous examination until fully solved. This trait will pay when as a physician he must cull the psychological from the physical.

If success follows work, then Bill is fully capable of it.



"Jim"



"Doug"



"Bill"



Harrison Lee Faltner

Camden, New York

Artillery

Private, 4, 2, 1; Corporal, 3; Armed Forces Club, 2, 1; History Club, 2, 1; Intramural Football, 3; Intramural Softball, 2, 1; Cadet Waiter, 2, 1; Methodist Club, 4; O. C. A., 1; L. L., 2, 1.

As December represents winter, so Harry represents the typical L.A. Surprisingly enough, between various "novels" and hours of sack time he has found time to overcome the big headache of an L.A.'s academics. Though the quiet type around barracks, Harry displays an arduous affection for the finer points of living on the outside. If patience and good-naturedness are requirements of a successful life, then this is one person who has the odds all in his favor.



Frank Albert Farmer, Jr.

Roanoke, Virginia

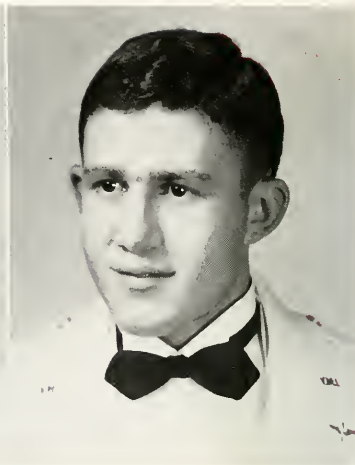
History

Engineering

Civil Engineering

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; Baptist Club; Rat Football, 3; Rat Football Manager; Cove Club; Fishing Club; Roanoke Club; A. S. C. E.

"Fannie" came to us from V. E. S. to try his hand at climbing up the run of science. Since competing in the hardest climb, the English Department, he has proved his outstanding abilities in all of his endeavors. Never too busy to help a fellow classmate with a calculus problem or discuss the all important women situation, "Fannie", a most of us know him, will always be remembered by his jovial manner and exceptional ability to make friends in any situation. The circumstances might be, but the



Eugene Gill Ferguson

Richmond, Virginia

Air Force

Civil Engineering

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; American Society of Civil Engineers, 3, 2, 1; Armed Forces Club, 3, 2; Cross Country, 3; Rat Football Manager, 2; Richmond Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; Model Railroad Club, 3; Officer of the Guard Association, 1.

"Fergie", as he is known to all, came to us as a product of the "Holy City" in September, 1951. He is a man with a remarkable ability to manipulate a slide rule as well as being able to express himself as an L. A. His sense of duty and responsibility have dotted his career throughout his days at the Institute. His jolly manner and winning ways have won him the respect of all. As one of Col. Marr's boys, he will go far toward making himself known. Good Luck, Gene, to you and your chosen.



"Harry"



"Fannie"



"Gene"



Robert Hoagland Filer
Norfolk, Virginia

Artillery

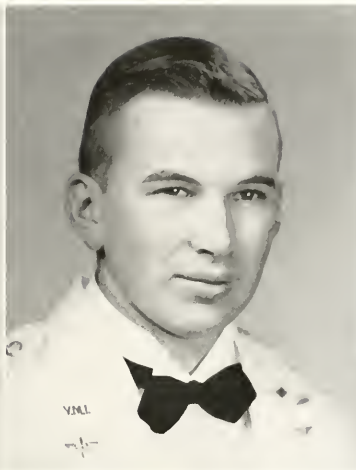
Biology

Private, 4; Corporal, 3; Color Sergeant, 2; First Lieutenant 2nd Bn. S-3, 1; Glee Club, 4, 3; Secretary, 2; President, 1; Honor Court, 3, 2; First Vice President, 1; National Speleological Society, 4; Business Staff *BOMB*, 4, 3, 2; Virginia Academy of Science, 4, 3, 2, 1; Tidewater Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; Armed Forces Club, 2; Lutheran Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; Distinguished Military Student, 1.

In every group of men there are a few who possess the elusive quality of born leadership. The Class of '55 quickly realized this as a characteristic that typifies Bob Filer.

A Floridian stranded in Norfolk, Bob came to V. M. I. a man of many and varied ideals. During his four years at the Institute, he and his ideals fell into the environmental pattern known so well to every cadet. The finished product emerged the most accomplished "back seat philosopher" this side of Plato.

His strength of character will forever keep his head above the multitude.



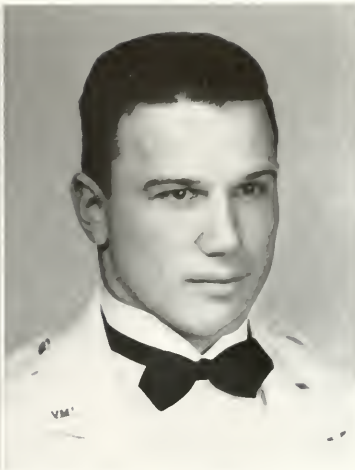
Robert Everett Fitch
Norwich, Connecticut

Air Force

Civil Engineering

Private, 4; Corporal, 3; Sergeant, 2; Lieutenant, 1; Newman Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; Armed Forces Club, 3, 2; American Society of Civil Engineers, 4, 3, 2, 1; Soccer, 2; Yankee Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; Distinguished Student, 2; Academic Stars, 1; Distinguished Military Student, 2, 1.

Bob is a "Connecticut Yankee" who saw the light and came South to get a good education. Although he is a firm believer in the necessity of the sack and a good time, he managed to become one of "Uncle Buzz's" top Civils. Success in his work has carried him to the top ranks at V. M. I., and he leaves with an enviable record. Bob has one of the best senses of humor in barracks and has always been a great friend and true brother, rat, a sure sign of his success at getting along with people. He is a Yank who likes the South and her people. His motto is "Be sure you're right, then go ahead", and with his top qualifications he is sure to get ahead.



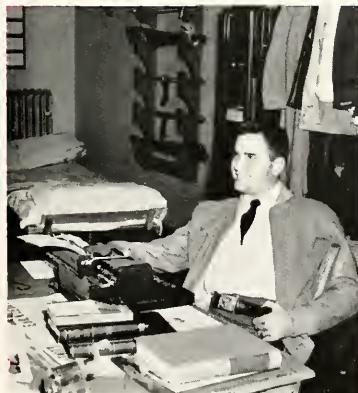
Michael Joseph Foley
Hopewell, Virginia

Infantry

History

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; Basketball, 4, 3; Football, 4, 3, 2, 1; Monogram Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; Newman Club, 4, 3; O. G. A., 1.

If you take a smile, mix it with a good disposition, and pour it in a "five-by-five" frame, then you have Mike Foley. Yes, "Mr. Five-by-Five" is without a doubt one of the most well liked men in barracks. A familiar figure in late study hall, Mike impressed his instructors by his sincerity and hard work. As an athlete he was surpassed by few in his performances as a half-back. He will always be remembered as the little man good for that extra yard. In fact, we know that Mike and Ann together will always make that extra yard in life.



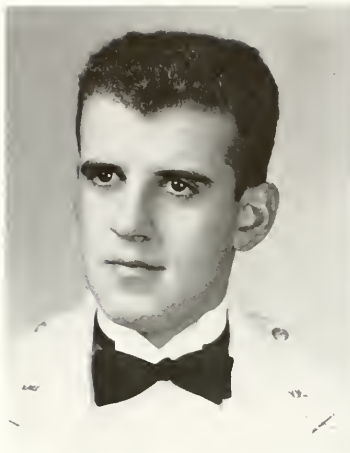
"Bob"



"Bob"



"Mike"



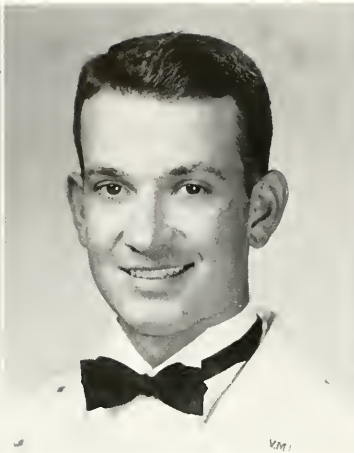
Ralph Adelbert Frye, Jr.

New Kensington, Pennsylvania

Artillery Electrical Engineering

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; Varsity Baseball, 4, 3, 2, 1; Cadet Staff, 1; A. 1. E. E., 2, 1; Floor Committee, 3, 2, 1; Cross Country Gun and Hiking Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; Officer of the Guard Association, 1.

During the school years 1951 to 1955 there resided at V. M. I. in the person of Ralph Frye, Mr. America, Stan Musial, and the Rubirosa of Lexington. Throughout his stay at V. M. I., Frye has tried, not all in vain, to change the military system into a democracy. He is the champion of privates in general and first class privates in particular. His gruff but friendly personality will win him many friends throughout his life and no matter what field Ralph decides to follow, he is destined to excel.



William Mathews Fulgham

Windsor, Virginia

Armed Forces Biology

Private, 4; Corporal, 3; Sergeant, 2; Captain, 1; Tidewater Club, 3, 2; President, 1; Tidewater Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; Virginia Academy of Sciences, 3, 2, 1; Armed Forces Club, 2, 1.

William Mathews Fulgham, soldier, partial scholar and cracker financier. With the possible exception of Bill, I am sure everyone at V. M. I. realize "B. F.'s" mental ability. Upon leaving his home in the lowlands of Tidewater, Virginia, he had many mountains to climb in order to get to V. M. I. and now he has successfully conquered the ups and downs here in Lexington.

Bill's pleasant personality and leadership ability have gained many friends for him and it is easy to see that he will be happy in the dental profession. Continuing life in his present place could bring nothing but success to B. F. and after June 30th he will have Nancy to help him. It will surely be a memorable day for all in room 119.



Charles Albert Gaar

Atlanta, Georgia

Air Force English

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; Turn-Out Staff, 3; History Club, 3, 2, 1; Intramural Award, 2; Armed Forces Club, 3, 2; O. G. A., 1; Intramural Council, 1; Deep South Club, 2, 1.

From the University of Georgia and Georgia Tech came that well known figure Jet. After several tries at obtaining an education Charlie finally found a home. During his four years at V. M. I. he could be found on the hill at intramurals and on the weekends found wooing the fair sex at adjoining colleges. We feel sure that Charlie will make a success in his first love, the Air Force.



"Ralph"



"Bill"



"Charlie"



Martin Anthony Gannon

North Tonawanda, New York

Infantry

Biology

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; O. G. A.; Virginia Academy of Science, 4, 3, 2, 1; Intramurals, 4, 3, 2, 1; Blood Bowl, 1; International Relations Club, 4; Newman Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; Co-Circulation Manager of the BOMB, 1.

Marty came down from the Indian country unaware, but unmoved by military life, and remained a casual civilian at heart. This Brother Rat was the backbone of Dog Company intramurals, and culminated his athletic career as the big ground gainer for the second battalion in the 1954 "BLOOD BOWL". With his winning personality and ability to get along with people, he will have much success in the infantry. After his tour of duty, he plans to fulfill his ambition to attend medical school.



John Hamilton Gary III

Kinston, North Carolina

Marine Corps

History

Private, 4; Corporal, 3; Sergeant, 2; Lieutenant, 1; Glee Club, 4; Armed Forces Club, 2; I. R. C., 1.

Jack came to V. M. I. from the Tarheel State with a desire to excel in Doc's course but he soon began to realize the advantage of a cultured education so he changed to the Liberal Arts. Since this change Jack has done progressively better each year and I am sure he will continue to rise even though he has chosen the Marine Corps as a career.

Everyone here at V. M. I. who knows Jack well will agree that he is a sincere and honest person with definite aims and ideas for his future. Jack's biggest problem has been to convince the opposite sex of his many fine attributes.

Knowing that Jack will always be a leader it is fitting to say "what is new will come from you."



Joseph Matthew Giacomini

Detroit, Michigan

Artillery

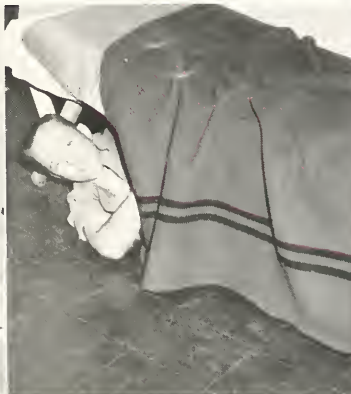
Civil Engineering

Wrestling, 4; Armed Forces Club, 3, 2; Newman Club, 4, 3, 2; Riding Club, 1.

Joe came to V. M. I. a fervent "Yankee" but association with the finer things in life has caused him to decide to stay in the South. He has always been willing to give his all to his Brother Rat and there are few who have not benefitted from his generous nature. He will long be remembered for his exploding flashbulbs, horseback riding, and green Plymouth. Joe has been a frequent visitor to the nearby girls' colleges but as of yet no one has captured his heart. We seriously believe that Joe will go far in life and his success is certain.



"Marty"



"Jack"



"Joe"



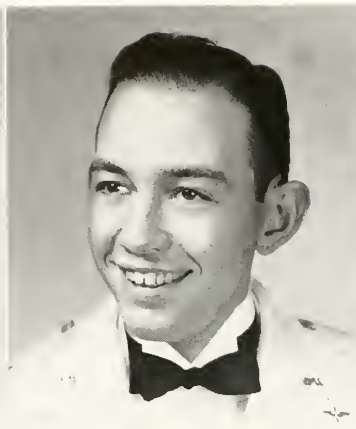
Donald Edward Gillespie
Hampton, Virginia

Infantry

Chemistry

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; American Chemical Society, 3, 2, 1; Varsity Golf, 4, 3, 2, 1; Tidewater Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; Little Gym Committee; Ring Figure, 2; Methodist Club, 4; Officer of the Guard Association, 1.

"Diz" Gillespie alias Walter Mitty is one of Hampton's gifts to the band and the girls at Longwood. A great competitor, "Diz" is hard to beat on the golf course with his two hundred yard drives and his ninety foot putts. Truly a gift to ole V. M. I. and, in the days to come, he will always be remembered as the only man in the band who couldn't play a note. So here's wishing you the best of luck, Don, and we know that success and happiness will always be yours.



Lloyd Franklin Glenn, Jr.
Glasgow, Virginia

Air Force *Civil Engineering*

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; Glee Club, 4, 3; Armed Forces Club, 3, 2, 1; Canterbury Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; Secretary-Treasurer, 3; President, 1; Religious Council, 3, 2, 1; A. S. C. E., 3, 2, 1; Varsity Rifle Team, 3, 2, 1; Officer of the Guard Association, 1.

Glenn, better known to many of his friends as "Woody", is one of the local boys who doesn't have any excuse for coming to V. M. I. I would say he is just plain boy in that he finds his engineering hard and his parties easy as well displayed by his three years attendance at summer school.

As most V. M. I. cadets, he has found his love life as hard as his studies but things are looking up for him now.

After four hard years, it looks like he is going to finally make the big break. Here's wishing him the best in any walk of life, but with his winning personality he won't have too much trouble.



William Edward Graber
Burkeville, Virginia

Air Force

Civil Engineering

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; Southside Virginia Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; Armed Forces Club, 2; Varsity Wrestling, 2, 1; Officer of the Guard Association, 1; American Society of Civil Engineers, 3, 2, 1.

The biggest little man in barracks came to the hill with the largest class ever to enter the Institute in September of 1951. Bill, or "Willie", as he is called by some, is known for his wrestling ability in the lower weights. A friend to all, he is also known for his handsome smile and his winning ways. After graduation, Coach Cupton will have to look for another 130-pounder and Bill has some definite plans with a certain girl in Richmond. Good luck, Bill. We'll all miss you.



"Diz"



"Woody"



"Bill"



William Witcher Greene

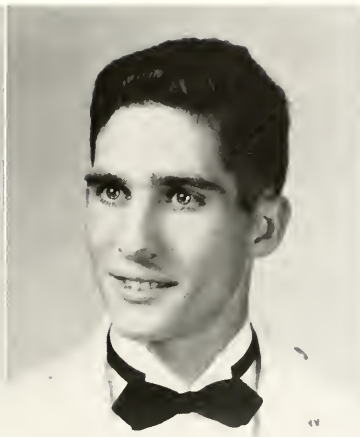
Camp Hill, Pennsylvania

Infantry

Chemistry

Private, 3, 2, 1; Corporal, 3; Football, 4; Track, 3, 2, 1; A. C. S., 3, 2, 1; President, 1; Monogram, 3, 2, 1; Armed Forces Club, 3, 2, 1; D. M. S., 1; Athletic Club, 2, 1; O. G. A., 1; Ring Figure Committee.

"Willie" gained tremendous popularity immediately upon entering the Institute and has retained it ever since. The Little Guy with the Big Grin found the giants of the college gridiron to be susceptible to the old adage "The bigger they are the harder they fall." Through hard work and "guts" he earned himself a starting position with the varsity early in his 3rd class year but due to his "paperhead" was forced to develop himself as a pole vaulter where upon he became co-captain of the track team. Although a member of the Paperhead Club, Bill has proved himself an excellent student, a hard working athlete, and a true friend.



William Grant Greig

Honolulu, Territory of Hawaii

Air Force

Electrical Engineering

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; Air Force Rifle Team, 4, 3, 2, 1; Varsity Rifle Team, 4, 3, 2, 1; Lynchburg Club, 3, 2, 1; A. I. E. E., 3, 2, 1; O. G. A., 1; Intramurals, 4.

For the last four years V. M. I. has been blessed by the presence of this unique territorial.

Outstanding only to those who know him, Bill has fought through a tough E. E. course with his inimitable combination of a relaxed manner and quick thinking.

Already wise to the cares of rank from his prep school days, Bill chose the privates life and was one of the runningest. Athletically, he fired on both Air Force and Varsity Rifle teams for four years. Be it known then that here comes a man who has done, and will do well anywhere with anything.



Eugene Ralston Griffith

Atlanta, Georgia

Artillery

Biology

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; Rat Football, 4; Varsity Football, 3, 2, 1; Varsity Track, 4, 3; Class Historian, 2, 1; Monogram Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; Virginia Academy of Science, 4, 3, 2, 1; Deep South Club, 2, 1; President, Deep South Club, 1; Distinguished Academically, 4, 3, 2; General Committee, 2, 1; O. G. A., 1.

Grif will always be remembered by his brother rats as the possessor of a congenial, good natured, and well liked easy going personality. In addition, Grif achieved outstanding success in his academic endeavors. By combining these attributes it is obvious to realize that Grif's title, class historian, was no accident.

Grif's interests were well diversified, including varsity sports, club activities, and Southern-Socializing. Medicine is his future endeavor and it is needless to say that Grif will contribute much to the medical profession.



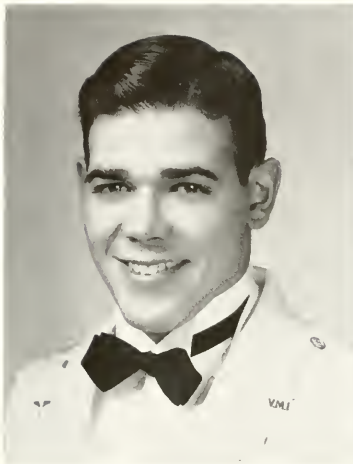
"Willie"



"Bill"



"Grif"



P. William Haake

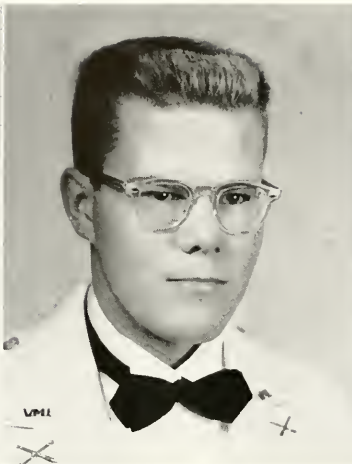
Homer, New York

Air Force

Civil Engineering

Private, 4; Corporal, 3; Sergeant, 2; Private, 1; Varsity Swimming, 4; Rat Football, 3; Intramurals, 4, 3, 2, 1; Blood Bowl, 3, 2, 1; Turn-Out Staff, 3; A. S. C. E., 3, 2, 1 (Publicity Chairman, 1); Armed Forces Club, 3; O. G. A., 1; O. G. A. President, 1; Distinguished, 2; Mess Hall Representative, 1.

Pete is characterized by a tremendous amount of determination and a fierce desire to succeed. However, he found only partial satisfaction in accomplishing his minor objectives during his early days at V. M. I. and so he left his athletic and military conquests unfinished. The steady influence which he needed so much and found in Cathy has made him concentrate that determination and desire for higher things, and has resulted in his emergence at the top of the civil engineering class. With Cathy at his side, there should be no limit to the heights Pete will yet attain.



Stephen Read Hammer, Jr.

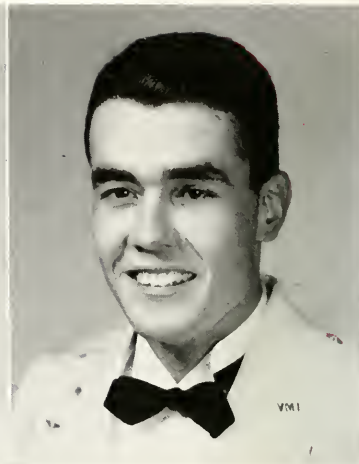
Denver, Colorado

Physics

Physics

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; Glee Club, 2, 1; Distinguished Military Student, 2, 1; American Institute of Physics, 4, 3, 2, 1; Armed Forces Club, 3, 2, 1; V. M. I. Commanders, 2; Intramurals, 4, 3, 2, 1; Monogram Minstrel Show, 2, 1.

Coming to V. M. I. with the intention of earning a regular commission, the likeable Army brat did just that. And now doing an abrupt about face he is considering the advantage of a civilian life. One of the few men ever to submit a permit to attend the Army-Navy game, Read takes with him into the old, cruel world a fine intelligence and an unimpaired sense of humor, and the most infectious grin ever to appear on the face of a mortal man. With Lois as an inspiration this lad will reach every goal he desires.



Norman Stuart Harris

Lynchburg, Virginia

Air Force

Civil Engineering

Honor Court, 2; President, 1; Baptist Club, 4, 3; President, 2, 1; Ring Committee Chairman; American Society of Civil Engineers, 3, 2, 1; Lynchburg Club, 4; Treasurer, 3, 2, 1; Glee Club, 3, 2; Vice-President, 1; Rifle Team, 4; Distinguished Student, 4, 3, 2; "Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities"; Private, 4, 3, 2; Lieutenant, 1; S-4 2nd Bn.

As one of the most active and busiest of our brother rats, Norm seems to have his finger in every pie. As president of the Honor Court, honor student, and friend to all, Norm manages to see almost everyone in barracks for some reason or other. Never too busy to hear the problems of any cadet, he has won the admiration and respect of all his brother rats. As a stalwart platoon lieutenant of the "F" Company rabble, he has established himself as a leader. Upon graduation into the cruel world, Norm's ability will carry him far, so that he will be a credit to the dear old Institute.



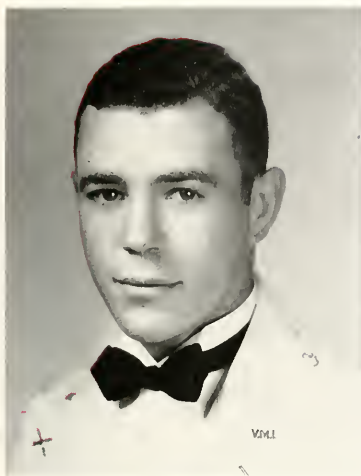
"Pete"



"Read"



"Norman"



Robert Alexander Harris III

Kinsale, Virginia

Artillery

Electrical Engineering

Private, 4, 2, 1; Corporal, 3; Armed Forces Club, 2, 1; A. I. E. E., 1; Mess Committee, 1; Rifle Team, 3; O. C. A., 1; Varsity Baseball, 3, 2, 1; Northside Club, 1.

It was a sad day when Mr. Bobby, boy mayor, left Kinsale with an assortment of crabbing nets and oyster tongs and headed for V. M. ONE. At first Curly was quite the military man, but soon exchanged his Kiwi and brownie points for fog glasses and slipsticks in favor of the E. E. Department. A favorite son of both of the Brown Boys, Mike and Johnny and never a stickler for the system, Bobby has always managed to keep his hero "Shane" constantly on the ball. His sincerity, integrity, and true friendship, along with his natural humor will help Bobby overcome the toughest hurdles in later life.



William Overton Harris, Jr.

Newport News, Virginia

Air Force

Biology

Private, 4; Corporal, 3; Sergeant, 2; Lieutenant, 1; Glee Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; Virginia Academy of Science, 4, 3, 2, 1; Methodist Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; Tidewater Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; Archaeological Club, 2, 1; All Intramurals (Captain of Basketball Team).

Anytime you are in doubt of Dr. Bill's (no relation to Gen. Bill) address, just ask any YOUNG girl in Newport News. Yes, Steel Woolie is a real woman killer with the younger generation. Besides Bill's accomplishments with his many loves, he has found time to become Joe Athlete on the intramural field, one of Doc's favorite sons, and "D" Company's Third Platoon Leader. They say he is the only man to have discovered why those extra pleats exist in Captain Phaup's pants.

Despite young Willie's many outside activities, I'm sure he will be a success at medical school and someday mend the many hearts he has broken. Seriously, we wish Bill the very best luck.



James Potts Hart III

Roanoke, Virginia

Artillery

Electrical Engineering

Private, 4, 3; Supply Sergeant, 2; First Lieutenant, 1; Hop Committee, 2, 1; Treasurer, 1; A. I. E. E., 3, 2, 1; Secretary, 2; Board Member, 1; Roanoke Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; Swimming Team, 4, 3, 2, 1; *Who's Who in American Colleges*, 1; Distinguished Student, 3, 2, 1; Distinguished Military Student.

Long, lanky, and with an unruly shoot of blond hair protruding from the back of his garrison cap, "Potts" has taken V. M. I. in his stride with a complacent smile on his face and a slide rule in his pocket. Under the watchful eye of the E. E. Department, he has uncovered a mass of latent ambition that has constantly placed him at the front of his section.

Thus, leaving V. M. I. with an excellent academic record and a robust laugh, Jim is well assured of many successful years ahead—after Martha returns from Europe next year.



"Curly"



"W. O."



"Jim"



William Troll Hart

Jackson, Tennessee

Air Force Civil Engineering

Private, 4; Corporal, 3; Sergeant, 2; Lieutenant, 1; Turn-Out Staff, 2; Assistant Business Manager, 1; O. G. A., 1; American Society of Civil Engineers, 4, 3, 2, 1.

Bill, a true Mississippi Rebel, came to V. M. I. with a hearty laugh, a broad grin, and a happy pleasantness, all of which four trying years have failed to alter. Mr. Perseverance battled his way to the top ranks of "Buzz's Boys" while allowing himself plenty of sack time along the way. This old boy had a wonderful sense of humor and rarely missed an opportunity to spread cheer throughout the ranks. Although his love life had some hard knocks, he maintained his standing as a "ladies man". Bill has a fine start in the industrial world and will have no difficulty in reaching his high goals.



Samuel White Hill

Norfolk, Virginia

Armed Forces Club Biology

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; Virginia Academy of Science; Armed Forces Club; Crow's Nest Club; Business Staff of Turn-Out; Tidewater Club; Monogram Minstrel; O. G. A.; Track Team; Intramurals.

The unforgettable Sam, "the man with the flesh colored beard," will always be remembered for his love of Scotch and exotic parties. Known throughout the female campuses of Sweet Briar and Hollins as "the bouncing baldheaded baritone," Sam has left his mark of ability to liven up any party with his tremendous personality. Sam should look forward to a bright future with quick success in life.



John Frederick Hiner

Beckley, West Virginia

Armor Civil Engineering

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; Business Staff V. M. I. Cadet, 4, 3; Pilots Association, 3, 2; Armed Forces Club, 2; Officer of the Guard Association, 1; American Society of Civil Engineers, 3, 2, 1.

John came to V. M. I. fresh from five years at military school; he really goes for this life. John was an ardent flying fan and owned his own plane for about three years, he finally got wise though and became one of the "Guts and Armor" boys. Although he lives in West Virginia, John prefers not to admit it; he is a Florida man at heart. John is rather quiet but he likes parties and the fairer sex, and he visits Steve's quite often. All of us who have known him hold him high in our friendship and we know that John will do well in his engineering endeavors.



"Bill"

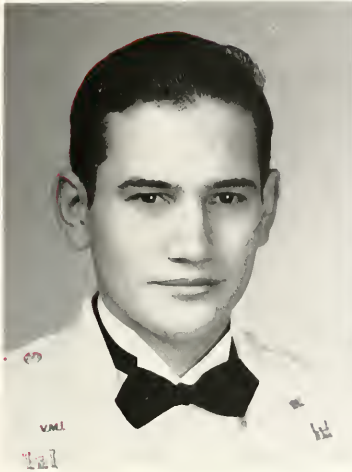


"Sam"



"John"

CLASS



Donald Wallace Hoatson

Baltimore, Maryland

Engineers

Civil Engineering

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; Company Food Representative, 1; American Society of Civil Engineers, 3, 2, 1; Yankee Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; Order of the Moogoo, 1; Intramural Football, Basketball, Softball; Distinguished Military Student; Honor List, 4, 3, 1; O. G. A., 1.

We all know Don as one of the most likeable guys around, always willing to help a friend out. He has been tops in his studies as well as being one of the top basketball performers in the intramural league. Don plans on working in management for the Telephone Company after graduation and to marry his one and only, Betty, shortly after. Good luck to you both; we all know you cannot help but make a success of life.



Thomas F. Hogan III

Port Arthur, Texas

Air Force

Civil Engineering

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; O. G. A., 1; A. S. C. E., 3, 2, 1; Texas Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; Newman Club, 4.

"Tom", that fair-skinned Texan and God's gift from Port Arthur, brought some good Texas soil with him back in '51, when he entered dear old V. M. I. Since that time no one has forgotten him or his native state. "Tom", the target of 9 out of every 10 practical jokes has survived them well, he will always be remembered by his "brother rats". This Texan returns to his "home country" after graduation to attend the University of Texas Law School. Good luck, "Tom", we know you'll make Texas proud.



Russell Beverly Hogshire

Norfolk, Virginia

Artillery

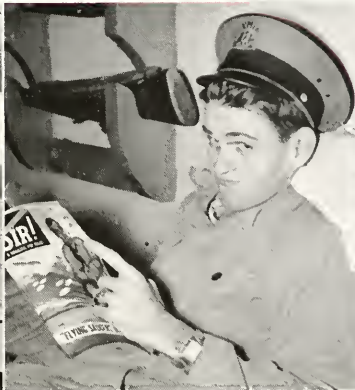
History

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; Canterbury Club, 4; Tidewater Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; Wrestling Team, 4, 2, 1; Ring Figure Committee, 2; Officer of the Guard Association, 1.

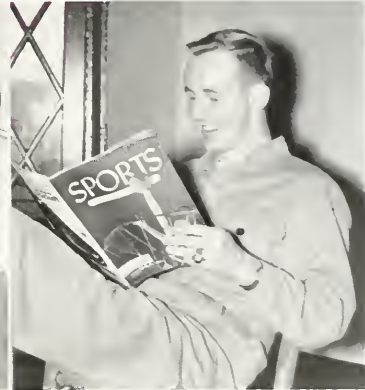
Leaving his sailing trophies behind in Norfolk, "Happy" journeyed up to Lexington and established himself as a great friend to his entire class. In four years everyone has come to like and respect "Happy" and his easy-going ways. Besides his activities and studies at V. M. I., he has also found time for numerous trips to Hollins in his role as the lover. Ol' Mooneyes himself is definitely lost to the whims of his future Mrs., and that's for sure! To a real friend, the Class of '55 says "Good luck."



"Don"



"Tom"



"Happy"

BOMB



John Lee Holcombe, Jr.
Gloucester Court House

Air Force

History

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; Air Force Rifle Team, 4; C. A. P., 4; Pilot Club, 4, 3, 2; Cave Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; History Club, 2, 1; Armed Forces Club, 2, 1; I. R. C., 1; Humor Editor of *Turn-Out*, 3; O. G. A., 1; Lit Staff of *Turn-Out*, 3, 2; Intramural Sports, 4; O. G. A., 1.

Jack came to V. M. I. for the pure and simple purpose of graduating so that he could study law. His ability to "float" permits for almost anything was seldom equaled. Not being particularly fond of cadet life, he tolerated it stoically. Even so, Jack is a man who hides a warm friendly personality beneath a cold business-like exterior. He was, and always will be, a "traveling man". During his cadetship Jack managed to cover more territory than most of us do in ten years. He is certain to attain his goals for he has the serious determination of a tank when he makes up his mind to do something.



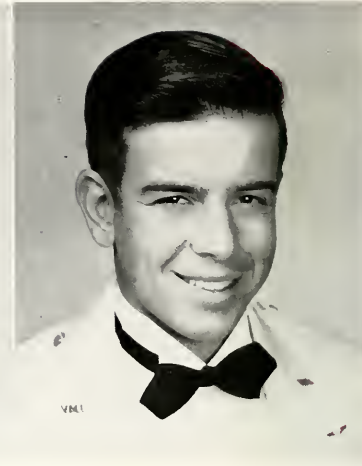
Richard Clark Hyatt
Frederick, Maryland

Infantry

Biology

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; Virginia Academy of Science, 4, 3, 2, 1; Distinguished Military Student; Officer of the Guard Association, 1.

Dick is a quiet and self-reliant personality, torn between two loves—the Army, and Medicine. He chose medicine as his field of endeavor and will enter the Medical College of the University of Maryland next fall. His suave and debonair manner was often seen in full use at a nearby female institution in Buena Vista.



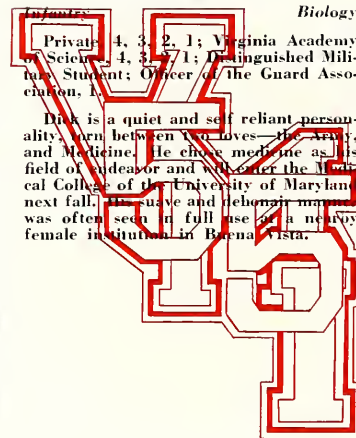
Everett Hurt Irby
Farmville, Virginia

Air Force

Civil Engineering

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; South Side Virginia Club; A. S. C. E.; Cadet Waiter; Methodist Club; O. G. A.

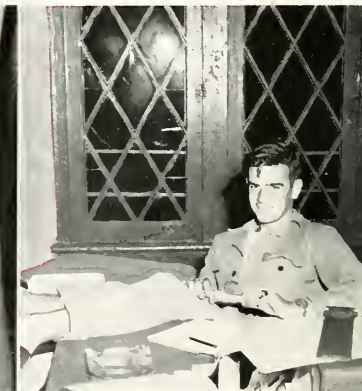
All you have to do is mention Quail, Bass or Women and "Meatball's" eyes light up. Then he is ready to go. This is one person who has more than proved his worth while at V. M. I. An ardent sportsman and beloved of Virginia's Belles he has managed to finish at the Institute while keeping the Quail population at a minimum, the Women happy and the Administration completely snowed. Keeping this in mind and knowing his capacity for hard work we have no fears as to the future whether it lies in the realm of the military or business world.



"Jack"

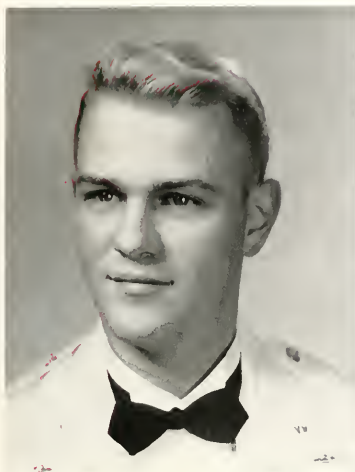


"Dick"



"Meatball"

CLASS



Joseph Mettauer Hurt Irby
Blackstone, Virginia

Armor

Biology

Private, 4, 2, 1; Corporal, 3; Southside Virginia Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; Methodist Club, 3, 4; Armed Forces Club, 1, 2; V. A. S., 3, 2, 1.

Out from Southside Virginia came Blackstone Joe. Joe entered V. M. I. as a civil hut soon became one of Doc's boys and also a long and faithful member of the Thank God It's Friday Night Club and ye olde Wednesday sessions at the Liquid. With his share of specials and P. T.'s behind I know Joe will find a home in the Marines. A party just wouldn't be complete without the hardman, and he missed very few. We will always remember Joe for his smile, friendly manner, and his time in the sack.



Otis Patrick Johnson III
Pine Bluff, Arkansas

Air Force

Electrical Engineering

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; Rat Wrestling; Amateur Radio Club, 3; Civil Air Patrol, 1; American Institute of Electrical Engineers, 2, 1; Officer of the Guard Association, 1.

Pat found the first few weeks at V. M. I. a little more trouble than did most of the boys. He not only had to get used to shining his shoes, but he had to get used to wearing them. He called the hogs and hoped for four years that Arkansas would win a few football games and they finally did. A conscientious devotee to the E. E.'s fate, he overcame all obstacles in the form of academics and the military system. With this experience and deep South personality combined with his own outstanding abilities, Pat will most certainly achieve any goal to which he may aspire.



Ward Wood Johnson
Greenlee, Virginia

Air Force

Civil Engineering

Track, 4; Baptist Club, 4; Corporal, 3; A. S. C. E., 3, 2, 1; Cadet Waiter, 1; Company Clerk, 1.

Ward is Arnold Valley's contribution to V. M. I.'s slide rule wizards. One of the most likeable boys in barracks, Ward has varied from the usual V. M. I. pattern, as he has lavished all his attentions on his high school sweetheart, who he is meeting at the altar in June.

We all know that Ward's personality and many capabilities will carry him to success in whatever field he chooses. Here's wishing a lot of luck and happiness, both now and in the future.



"Joe"

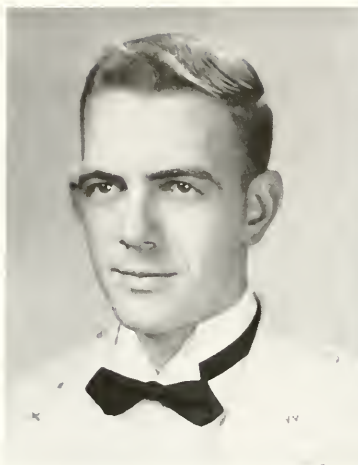


"Pat"



"W. W."

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Charles Cary Jones
Hampton, Virginia

Artillery *Civil Engineering*

Private, 4, 2, 1; Corporal, 3; Turn-Out Staff, 3, 2, 1; Humor Editor, 2; Managing Editor, 1; Tidewater Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; A. S. C. E., 3, 2, 1; Cheerleader, 2, 1; Cave Club, 3; Monogram Minstrel, 3, 2, 1; Director, 1; Canterbury Club, 4, 3; Hlop Committee, 2, 1; Ring Figure Committee, 2; Crow's Nest Club, 2, 1; O. G. A., 1.

"Casey", as he is known to all, came to V. M. I. to embark upon a star-studded career as the impersonator of Dean Martin. An L. A. at heart, his originality and humor have manifested themselves in his stories written for cadet publications. "Casey's" unassuming manner and easy ways will become an asset to him in the future. The Institute will lose a good man at graduation but everyone wishes him the best that life can offer. Good luck, "Casey" to you and "that redhead".



George Lorraine Jones III
White Post, Virginia

Air Force *English*

Private, 4; Corporal, 3; First Sergeant, 2; Captain, 1; City Club, 4, 3; J. V. Wrestling, 4, 3; Intramurals, 4, 3, 2, 1; Armed Forces Club, 3, 2, 1; International Relations Club, 1; Cadet Waiter, 1; Northern Virginia Club, 4, 1.

George should be known in the not too distant future, as the man who put White Post on the map. His record of achievement at V. M. I. is certainly as well known as his home town and he has left a lasting impression upon all his friends. Characterized by sincerity and determination, a natural flair for leadership and an unpredictable good natured humor, George has already hurdled the last barrier to success and happiness in finding the perfect girl, "Connie", and is now well on his way toward the top in whatever field of endeavor he enters.



Royce Earl Jones
Hampton, Virginia

Armor *Biology*

Private, 4; Corporal, 3; Sergeant, 2; First Lieutenant, 1; Football, 4, 3, 2, 1; Track, 4, 3, 2, 1; Class Historian, 3; Class Vice President, 2, 1; General Committee, 3, 2, 1; Executive Committee, 2, 1; Virginia Academy of Science; Tidewater Club, 4, 3, 2, 1.

"The whole town is talking about the Jones boy"—one of the few "specialists" to make the change over to one platoon football with a minimum of difficulty and become a definite asset to the team. This is typical of Royce's easy going ability. One of the "Doc's" boys from Rat days on, Royce has been very popular with his instructors as well as his brother rats. A born leader, success and happiness will follow this likable guy wherever he may go.



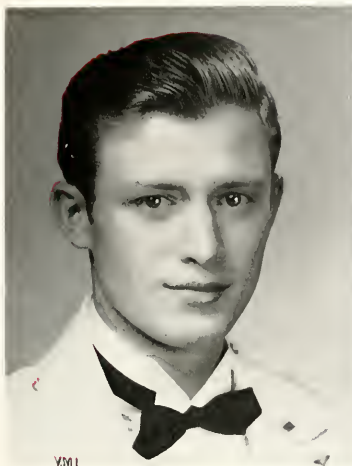
"Casey"



"Buzzy"



"Royce"

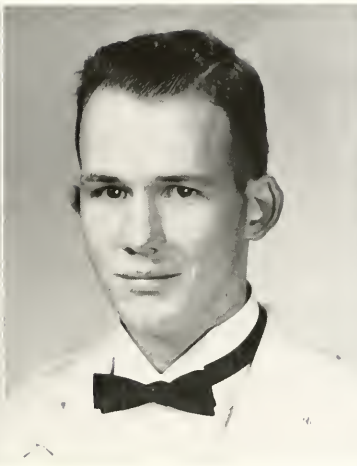


Wayne Allyn Jones
Binghamton, New York

Armor Civil Engineering

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; O. G. A., 1; A. S. C. E., 3, 2, 1; Freshman Track; Freshman Wrestling; Varsity Wrestling, 3, 2; Freshman Football Manager, 1; Varsity Baseball Manager, 2; I. R. C., 3; Yankee Club; Baptist Club, 4, 3, 2; Section C-3, 3, 2, 1.

Wayne is one of those boys who sets a goal for himself and doesn't cease working until he has attained it. He always has a word of encouragement for his friends, and his diligence is an example for all. As there is a time for work, there is also a time for play. So it is with Wayne—"Ready to have a party?" Wayne and—"Wayne's sincere manner and his willingness to work will carry him to whatever heights his sights are set on. That is the best plumbing and heating business in New York State.



William Thornton Kerlin
Waynesboro, Virginia

Infantry Civil Engineering

American Society of Civil Engineers, 3, 2, 1; Ring Committee, 3; Private, 4; Corporal, 3; Regimental Supply Sergeant, 2; Sergeant Major, 2; Regimental Adjutant; Second Battalion Commander.

This boy came into the world bearing a sash, saber, and spit shined boots—a rare phenomenon even in Waynesboro, Virginia. In spite of his modesty, we found that Bill has a way with women. Military matters have occupied many an hour of his cadetship, along with mad academic aggression sponsored by the Civil Engineering Department. We will long remember him for his military bearing and devoted sense of duty. These regimental requisites explain why he is the select recipient of a regular commission in the United States Marines. His sights are set on jet jockeying for the leathernecks.



Charles Gordon Kulp, Jr.
Roanoke, Virginia

Air Force Civil Engineering

Private, 4; Corporal, 3; Sergeant, 2; Lieutenant, Captain, 1; Glee Club, 4, 3; Roanoke Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; President, 1; American Society of Civil Engineers, 4, 3, 2, 1; Ring Figure Committee, 2; Monogram Minstrel, 1; Floor Committee, 2, 1; Manager Varsity Baseball, 4, 3, 2, 1; Section C-3, 2, 1; Distinguished Military Student, 2, 1.

Mr. Military marched in Jackson Arch, 120 per, breaking the heart of many a fair Roanoke lass, who mourned a tragic loss to Lexington. Don has entertained us with many a charming hour of elocution. He was quite an orator, one who had the ability to expound to great length on matters of profound wisdom. The walls of Club Crozet and the barracks will never again vibrate as they have in the presence of such a powerful voice. The Class of '55 will long remember the many class parties he instigated.



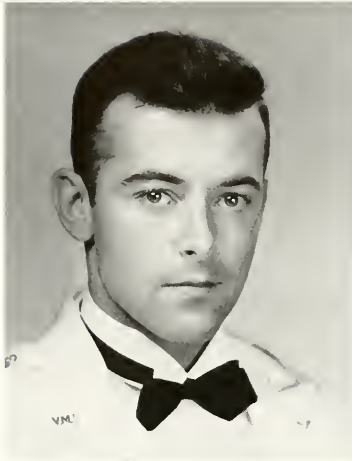
"Jonesie"



"Bill"



"Don"



William Henry Langhorne
Charlottesville, Virginia

Air Force

History

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; Intramurals, 4; Canterbury Club, 4; Soccer, 2; History Club, 3, 2; Blockrunning, 4, 3, 2, 1; Methodist Club, 3; O. G. A., 1.

Buck, apparently one of the quieter men in barracks presents one of the most varied personalities in our class. Blockrunner, first rate businessman, and definitely pleasing to the ladies, he has earned himself a name from the Sem to Sweet Briar; from Mary Baldwin to Mary Washington. Since Buck has been at V. M. I. his warm personality and friendly nature have won him many friends. We know that with his winning ways and pleasant smile Buck is bound to meet with success in the Air Force or any other field of endeavor he may choose to undertake.



Edwin Barnes Lawless III
McLean, Virginia

Lawless Civil Engineering

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; Corporal, 3; Sergeant, 4; Varsity Rifle, 3, 2, 1; Army ROTC Rifle, 4, 3, 2, 1; O. G. Club, 3; Westminster, 3; S. C. E., 3, 2, 1.

The girls of Rockledge County and Southern Seminary all ready be doing something when Barney graduates. ing his four years at V. M. I. he has studied Civil Engineering, but to mean his line you could think that he is an L. A. Boney has the ability to make friends wherever he goes and has found to succeed in any endeavor he undertakes. His four years with the rifle team has made him one of the best shots on the team besides taking him all over the country. We wish him the best of everything on his future travels through life.



James Donald Lawrence, Jr.
Portsmouth, Virginia

Infantry

Physics

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; J. V. Basketball, 4; Varsity Baseball, 4, 3; American Institute of Physics, 4, 3, 2, 1.

Don ambled out of the wilds of Portsmouth, Virginia, and somehow ended up at V. M. I. After four years of confinement Don decided to settle down and is planning on graduate school and a little serious studying—Uncle Sam willing. But whoever gets "Fish", the Army or graduate school, the future will surely hold fair promises for him.



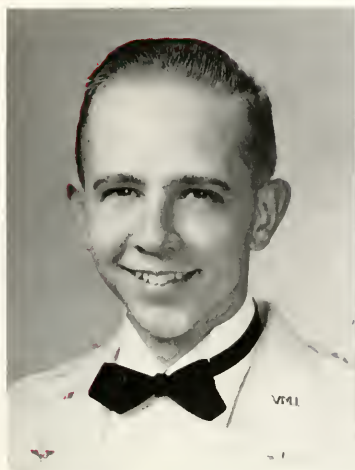
"Buck"



"Barney"



"Don"



Knute Foley Lawson
St. Petersburg, Florida

Air Force

History

Private, 4; Corporal, 3; Sergeant, 2; First Lieutenant (Battalion S-3), 1; Baptist Club, 4, 3, 2; History Club, 4, 3, 2; President, 1; Timmons' Music Club, 3, 2; President, 1; International Relations Club, 1; Armed Forces Club, 4; Rat Wrestling Team, 4; Lacrosse Team, 4, 3; Rat Rifle Team Manager, 2; *Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities*; Distinguished Student; Distinguished Military Student.

To his fellow L. A.'s and the men who know him best, Knute's name brings to mind the long pre-exam "Poop Sessions" and the willingness to help his fellows at any time. His wonderful personality and sense of humor will carry him far in his chosen field, the USAF. With the strong backing of his "One and Only" and the many friends that he has found at V. M. I. Knute's future will consist of nothing but success. Good luck to you; the only cadet professor at V. M. I.



Lloyd Gross Lazarus
Roanoke, Virginia

Air Force

Civil Engineering

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; A. S. C. E., 4, 3, 2, 1; Religious Council, 2, 1; Football, 4, 3, 2, 1; Wrestling, 4; Track, 2; Assistant Swimming Manager.

Ye ole Chip, a nickname acquired before his V. M. I. days, will always be remembered by his many friends. There's a story around barracks that when taking an eye examination he once asked, "Dor how's about a hint as to which wall the chart is on". Nearsighted in this respect but certainly not when it comes to a sense of humor or ability to understand and like people. Though no Beau Brummel around barracks he sets a fast pace for the best of dressers come weekends. I think I can be sure in saying that Chip is the only boy to be asked by a hotel (Willard—where else?) to be their representative in barracks. Chip, here's wishing you all the success in the world.



Frank Judson Leech
Lexington, Virginia

Air Force

Physics

Private, 4, 1; Corporal, 3; Sergeant, 2; American Institute of Physics, 4, 3, 2, 1; Honor Court, 4, 3, 2, 1; *Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities*, 1; Distinguished Student, 4, 3, 2, 1; I. R. C., 2, 1; Cadet Staff, 1; Distinguished Military Student.

Here's walking proof that Lexington is good for something. Consistently very close to the top slot in academics, Jud also has those extra qualities which enable him to accomplish a host of other time-consuming activities without any material loss of "9.5's". The respect of his classmates is reflected in the number of times one hears "Go see Leech" when an accurate, unbiased, and straight from the shoulder answer to a question is needed. If a keen, perceptive mind, a winning personality, and a level head are the formula for success; then The Rock has no worries.



"Knute"



"Chip"



"Jud"



Hans Albert Leipold
Chicago, Illinois

Air Force

Chemistry

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; Corporal, 3; Varsity Rifle Team, 4, 3, 2, 1; Co-Captain Varsity Team, 1; Air Force Rifle Team, 4, 3, 2, 1; Manager Air Force Rifle Team, 1; Monogram, 2; Armed Forces Club, 2; Cave Club, 3; Air Force Rifle Trophy, 4; Henderson Rifle Trophy, 2; American Chemical Society, 4, 3, 2, 1; O. G. A., 1.

The old German who was blown to V. M. I. from the "Windy City" lost no time in gaining the friendship and respect of his Brother Rats. Coming from a fine military high school, Hans had little trouble adjusting himself to the military life and was always more than willing to lend a hand in helping others. He lost no time in gaining honors for himself and his school with his expert marksmanship on the Varsity rifle team. Hans is a hard worker but always has a few minutes to take time from his studies for a good time.



John Marvin Lekstrum
Twenty-nine Palms, California

Air Force

Physics

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; American Institute of Physics, 4, 3, 2, 1; Order of the Dagobert, 1; Cadet Waiter, 2, 1; O. G. A., 1.

Many is one of the few boys who migrated from California to join our club, study Physics, and become a member of the RMWC chapter of the Lynching Club. "The Army" is an "Air Force Johnny" through and through, always ready, willing and able to be the first or for California. He is well known throughout the Corps for his nonchalant attitude, his class pants, and his ear-aching laugh. His best quality is his ability to make correct snap decisions in any matter whether academic or otherwise. After his hitch in the Air Force we're sure he'll find success in his life's work.



Robert Eugene Lindsey, Jr.
El Paso, Texas

Artillery

Electrical Engineering

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; Texas Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; Radio Club, 3, 2, 1; Rifle Team, 3, 2; O. G. A., 1; A. I. E. E., 3, 2, 1.

Southern hospitality and Yankee genius have combined together to give Bob an outlook which has shielded him from the ordinary, carried him through the depths of electricity, and passed him right around the onslaught of "Jiggs." A keen sense of humor will enhance Bob in our minds long long after we have parted. But even moreso, his farsighted perception and understanding of life, his honest efforts and successes as a student have made Bob a member that this society can long be proud of.



"Hans"

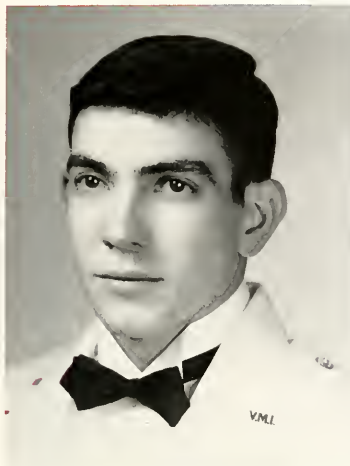


"Lex"



"Bob"

CLASS



Curtis Richard Lucado

Roanoke, Virginia

Air Force

Civil Engineering

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; Glee Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; Roanoke Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; American Society of Civil Engineers, 3, 2, 1; President, 1; Officer of the Guard Association, 1.

"Alfalfa" came to V. M. I. with a harmonica in one hand and a fishing rod in the other. He has always been a lucky angler, but since he has been with us he has gained the juvenile championship of Roanoke, Botetourt and Rockbridge counties. However, after two years his interests changed, from harmonicas to women. Now "Pierre" claims the love of women both far and wide. He is also noted for doing the least work and making the best grades of anybody in the Civil Department. We know he will be a leader in whatever field he enters because of his outstanding record and capabilities.



Charles Samuel Luck III

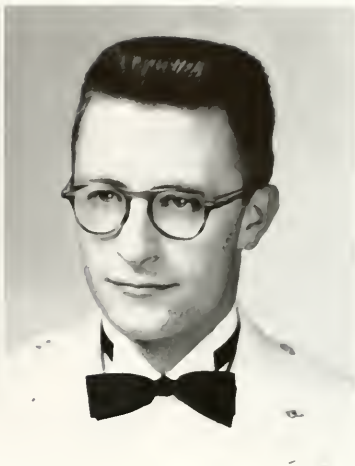
Richmond, Virginia

Air Force

Civil Engineering

Private, 4; Corporal, 3; Private, 2; Private, 1; Hop Committee, 2, 1; BOMB Staff, 2, 1; Advertising Manager of '55 BOMB; Golf, 4, 2, 1; A. S. C. E., 4, 3, 2, 1; O. G. A., 1; Crow's Nest Club, 1; Richmond Club, 4, 3; Party Chairman, 2; President, 1; Canterbury Club, 4; O. G. A., 1.

Not content to be a member of the "Thank God It's Friday!" Club. Charlie founded the "Good Lord, It's Monday" Society. After four years of bargaining with the Air Force and the opposite sex, Charlie was accused of playing hard-to-get in both categories, but we know that all Charlie wants is a commission and an assignment in Roanoke. A great believer in organization, he has steadily and efficiently overcome the worst that Buzz could offer, and is bound to be a success in his chosen field.



William McWane Maddox, Jr.

Parker, Arizona

Infantry

Civil Engineering

Private, 4, 1; Corporal, 3; Sergeant, 2; A. S. C. E., 3, 2, 1; Trust Officer A. S. C. E., 1; Armed Forces Club, 3, 2; Tidewater Club, 4; Track Team, 4, 3; Ring Figure; Little Gym Committee Chairman, 2; D. M. S., 1; Hop Committee, 1; President O. G. A., 1; Crow's Nest Club, 2, 1.

"Willie" came to us from far away San Francisco and immediately rose to the rank of Sergeant. Absorbing more knowledge, he managed to "make" First Class Private and even became leader of the "batmen" for one semester. The "Peppy Plym", with Bill at the helm and a crowd of troops packed inside, has cruised into every woman's college in the state; but even though the cry of "party time" has kept "Willie" in Virginia for four years, it looks as if the "Golden West" will reclaim one of its own.



"Curt"

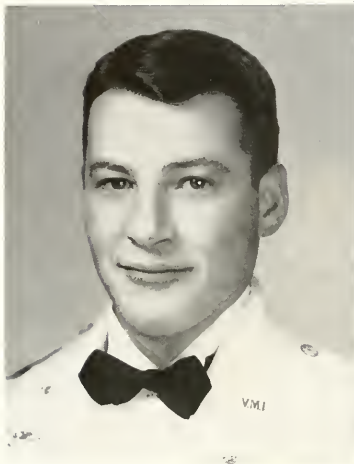


"Charlie"



"Willie"

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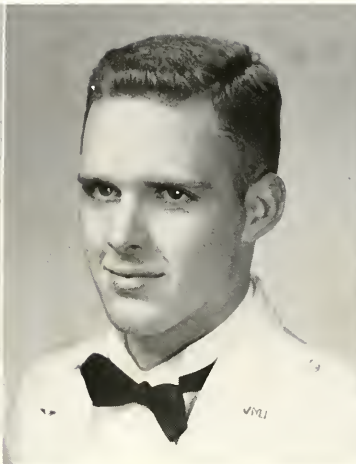
Lemuel Ellis Marsh III

Danville, Virginia

Armor Civil Engineering

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; O. C. A., 1; Hop Committee, 2, 1; Flower Chairman, 1; A. S. C. E., 3, 2, 1; A. S. P., 2, 1; Assistant Manager Varsity Football, 2; Head Manager, Varsity Football, 1; I. R. C., 3; D. M. S., 1; Section C-3, 3, 2, 1; Cadet Waiter, 2, 1.

Lynn's determination coupled with his ability to get along with his fellow cadets has carried him into all phases of barracks life. His life here at V. M. I. has been full, and because it has been full, the lives of his classmates have been made full also. Endowed with a keen sense of humor, an ability to work, and an ability to play, success and happiness shall not pass him by.



Samuel Wilson Marshall

Dallas, Texas

Air Force Physics

Private, 4; Corporal, 3; First Sergeant, 2; Lieutenant, 1; Tennis, 3, 2, 1; Commander, 3, 2; Business Manager, 1; American Institute of Physics, 4, 3, 1; Texas Club, 1, 3; Vice-President, 2; President, 1; Pilot's Club, 3, 2; Distinguished Military Student, 1; BOMB Staff, 4; Cadet Staff, 4; King League Committee, 2.

Sambo is one of the few Texans who is not continuously bragging about that lorn stretch of desert he calls home. While at the Institute he has been an outstanding student, and one of the main stays of the cadet band. He has done much to promote the popularity of the Commanders, and the cadet band, helping to raise it to be one of the most sought after college bands in the state.

Sam will be best remembered for his fickle love life. His returns from numerous weekends were invariably accompanied by glowing accounts of fair damsels from various girls' schools in the vicinity who had him snowed for a week or so.



Charles Rigby Martin

Westfield, New Jersey

Armor Chemistry

Private, 4, 2, 1; Corporal, 3; A. C. S., 3, 2, 1; Wrestling, 4; Cave Club, 4; Treasurer of Cave Club, 3, 2, 1; Archaeology Club, 2, 1; Armed Forces Club, 4, 3, 2; M. D. A., 4, 3; O. C. A., 1.

It is difficult for a "Yankee" to get used to the land of Jackson and Lee, but Chuck grinned and bore it when he ventured to V. M. I. from the ice and snow of the North. He settled down to hard work to earn his bars as a Marine officer. It is certain he will be a credit to the Corps which places its future in the hands of reliable men like him.



"Lynn"



"Sam"



"Chuck"

CLASS



Richard Carrier Martin

Newton, Massachusetts

Armor

History

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; *Cadet Staff*: Associate feature Editor, 2; Managing Editor, 1; *BOMB Staff*: Associate Editor, 1; Virginia Intercollegiate Press Association, 2; Chairman of Convention Committee, 1; International Relations Club, 3, 2; Program Committee Chairman, 1; Armed Forces Club, 4, 3, 2; History Club, 3, 2, 1; Newman Club, 4, 3; Yankee Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; Manager Rat Baseball, 2; O. G. A., 1; Glee Club, 4, 3; Virginia Organization of International Relations Clubs, 3, 2, 1.

Whether "Jumping with Symphony Sid," recalling Parisian night life, or quaffing brews in a local rathskeller, here is a real character, in the most complimentary sense of the word, that is.

Dick's prolific and untiring efforts for the *Cadet* have met due reward in the person of J. Edgar Hoover. The FBI chief saw fit to commend our young managing editor.

With no forthcoming commission in the French Foreign Legion, this regular answers to the beck and call of "Semper Fidelis."



William Reynolds Martin

Callands, Virginia

Air Force

Civil Engineering

Private, 4; Corporal, 3; Sergeant, 2; Private, 1; A. S. C. E., 3, 2, 1; Armed Forces Club, 2, 1; Intramural Volleyball, 2, 1.

If anyone can take things in their stride it's Bill. It takes a great deal to change his calm attitude, but his easy-going manner is often deceiving. He has the ability to get the most out of his courses with the least effort, due to his natural aptitude for everything in the engineering and mechanical vein. He has a true interest in the Air Force which should take him as far as he wishes to go in that career. In whatever field he chooses, his always present smile and quiet sense of humor should make him a success.



James Darroch Massie

Lynchburg, Virginia

Infantry

Civil Engineering

Lynchburg Club, 1, 3, 2, 1; A. S. C. E., 2, 1; *Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities*; Private, 4; Corporal, 3; Private, 2; Second Lieutenant, 1; President of Class, 3, 2, 1; President of the General Committee and Executive Committee, 1; Rat Wrestling, 4; Varsity Wrestling, 1; Distinguished Military Student, 1.

In September of '51 Jim left the hills and fields of "Lone Jack" Farm to perpetuate the Massie name at V. M. I. He has never been known to refuse a bet and his fame as a "lover" is widespread. The wildlife of Nelson County has flourished while he has been at the Institute. Jim, in addition to lettering in wrestling found time to engage in the other activities of barracks life. His sense of humor, sincerity, and devotion to duty have won our class President the respect and admiration of the corps. His future success is assured.



"Dick"



"Bill"



"Mussie"

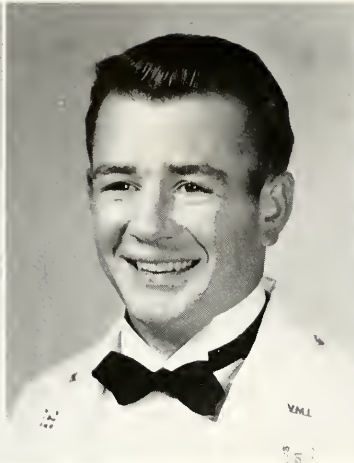
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Charles Frederic Mather-Smith II
Oakland, Florida

Air Force English
Glee Club, 4, 3; Corporal, 3; History Club, 2; Program Director History Club, 1; Timmons' Music Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; Hide-Away Club, 1; Private, 4, 2, 1; Corporal, 3.

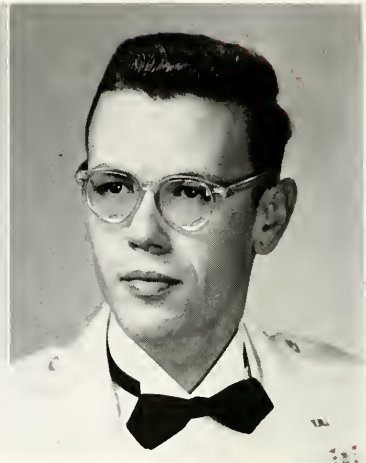
Fred is one of the '54's who joined our class during our rat year. After defeating Chemistry in five tries he has taken his place in our class as one of Dodo's L. A.'s. Welcome aboard Fred. A staunch member of the Drummers' Union of the Regimental Band, Fred has been the man that made the drum section sound solid. Of late he has added the Hi-Fi bug to his other hobby of collecting books. Although seeking the finer things in life, Fred has had to remain on a diet during the greater part of his cadetship and will probably live to be one of the world's greater collectors of fine books.



Curry Julian May
Washington, Georgia

Engineers (Arts) Civil Engineering
Private, 4; Corporal, 3; Sergeant, 2; Captain, 1; V. M. I., 2, 1; Cadet Staff, 4, 3; Circulation Manager, 2; Advertising Manager, 1; S. C. E., 4, 3; Secretary, 2; Chairman Executive Committee, 1; Deep South Club, 3, 2; Vice-President, 1; R. V. Club, 4, 3, 2; Rapid Club, 4, 3, 2; Fisher Program Mingle, 1; Intramural Athletic Soccer Club, 3, 2.

Doc hit V. M. I. from Georgia four years ago. Since then he has thrown himself energetically into all that V. M. I. offered. Gifted with a great deal of personality and humor, he has achieved outstanding success on the parade ground, the Engineering building, and at Stevesville. His southern drawl and wit have made many parties a success. With his love of fun, combined with his sense of duty, Doc will always be a success.



Don Edward Meeker
Fort Leavenworth, Kansas

Corps of Engineers Civil Engineering
Private, 4; Corporal, 3; First Sergeant, 2; Captain, 1; American Society of Civil Engineers, 3, 2, 1; Armed Forces Club, 2.

Don came to V. M. I. with aspirations of combining engineering with his military endeavors. He has done well in both and won a regular commission. Being an "Army Brat" the military life will be nothing new to him, and having been a leader here we know he will go far in the Army. Don has always been ready for a party and never lets studying bother his social life too much. He is also an ardent fan of Mickey Spillane and loves to read all the "barracks literature". Don is mighty serious about a certain little gal up in New Jersey and we know that they will both be very happy. We have all profited from Don's friendship and know he will succeed in whatever he does.



"Fred"

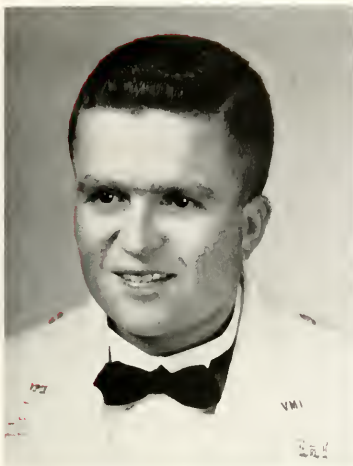


"Doc"



"Don"

CLASS



Frank Arend Moltz, Jr.

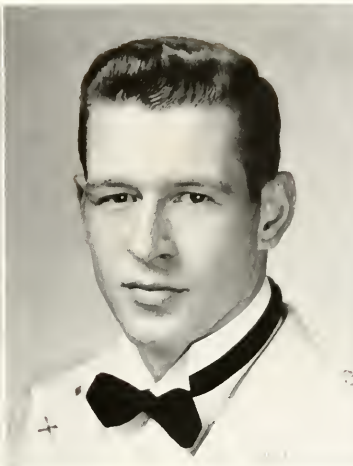
Williamsport, Pennsylvania

Artillery

Civil Engineering

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; A. S. C. E., 4, 3, 2, 1; O. G. A., 1; Westminster Fellowship, 4, 3, 2, 1; Turn-Out Staff, 3, 2, 1; Advertising Manager, 2; Exchange Editor, 1; Basketball Manager, 2, 1.

"Moltz" is one of the few people who after four years of V. M. I. can still laugh at himself for coming here in the first place. A good friend and a hard worker, the red-headed "Yankee" has, it appears, after exhaustive study of the feminine situation below the Mason-Dixon Line, finally decided upon a good hometown girl. With his fine sense of humor and his keen perception of values, we are sure that Frank will find success early in life.



Walter Merritt Moore III

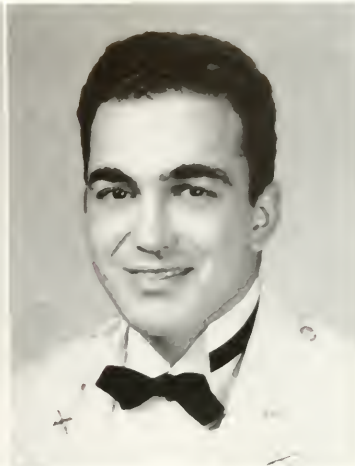
Norfolk, Virginia

Artillery

Biology

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; O. G. A., 1; V. A. S., 3, 2, 1; Turn-Out Staff, 3, 2, 1; Tidewater Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; Rat Football; Track; Wrestling.

Through his pleasing personality Walt has won many friends at V. M. I. Although having no love for the military Walt's warm disposition has always carried him through in good style. Walt has never missed an opportunity to take a furlough, and with his appealing personality he will do well in any field he enters.



John Lawrence Morace

Glen Cove, New York

Artillery

Civil Engineering

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; Varsity Wrestling Manager, 1; A. S. C. E., 4, 3, 2, 1; New-man Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; Track, 4; Turn-Out Staff, 3; O. G. A., 1.

Between mixing concrete for Buzz and Scotch and water for weekends, John has mixed his way into the hearts of his brother rats. His one ambition for the past four years has been June, '55 and the chance to go to college, not for the advanced degree, but just to go to college. Whatever comes it won't bother John for his easy going manner will always see him through.



"Frank"

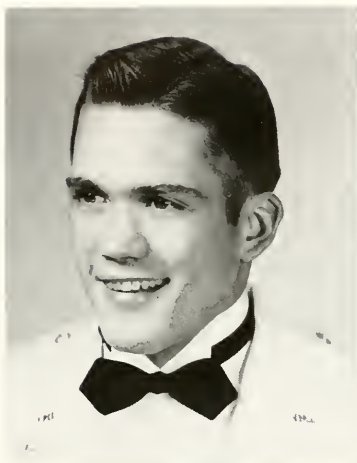


"Walt"



"John"

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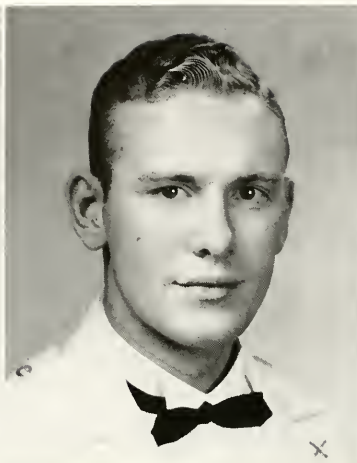
John Lewis Morgan
Buena Vista, Virginia

Air Force

History

Private, 4, 3; Sergeant, 2; Lieutenant, 1; Football, 4, 3, 2, 1 (First Team All-State, 1; All-Southern Conference Scholastic Team, 1); Monogram Club, 2, 1; History Club, 3, 2, 1 (Vice-President); *Who's Who In American Colleges and Universities*; Distinguished Student, 2, 1; Distinguished Military Student.

John Lewis Morgan, better known as the Buene Flash, has had quite a time while here at V. M. I. Although he carried more than his share of activities, he still managed to remain high academically, get his L. A., sack time, and devote as much time as possible to the fairer sex. Those who watched the Big Red in action will remember him for his drive and hustle on the football field. Good luck, Johnny, and may your life be as bright as your future is now.



Albert Eugene McCants, Jr.
Petersburg, Virginia

Artillery

Civil Engineering

Private, 4, 2, 1; Corporal, 3; Armed Forces Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; Richmond Club, 2; Southside Virginia Club, 4, 3; American Society of Civil Engineers, 3, 2, 1; Staff, *Civilian*, 2; Editor *Civil Staff*, 1; Chairman A. S. C. 1; Audio-Visual Aids Committee, 1; Officer of the Guard Association, 1; Section 83, 3, 2, 1.

Mae (loveless, 2, 1) came to us as one of the inseparable three from "Patch", Virginia. All through his cadetship "Mac" has shown the benevolent attitude, warm friendliness, and personality that it takes to place a fellow cadet a little higher on the humored list of brother rats. His humorous impersonations of "Ole Bull" has added to many a good laugh session in U.S. Personnel is another quality which isn't lacking in this Scotchman. It took a lot of time and hard work but again it paid off. At graduation, V. M. I. has lost a good boy but the world has gained an even better man.



C. Irvin McClelland
Clarksville, Pennsylvania

Air Force

Physics

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; Intramural Wrestling and Track; Westminster Fellowship, 4, 3; Cadet Staff, 4, 3, 2; Company Clerk, 1; Armed Forces Club, 2; Officer of the Guard Association, 1; American Institute of Physics, 4, 3, 2, 1.

What brought Irv here we don't know—but we sure thank that little mining town in Pa. for sending the likeable guy to us.

Though he professed his three loves to be jet planes, horse racing, and ye olde sacking time—Irv certainly never overlooked the fact that there was an opposite sex. His interest in the Air Force developed during the course of his cadetship, as well as did his friendship with roommate Bill. Seen everywhere together, the two were labeled "the twins".

The possibility of someday finding Irv handling a fast jet, with Bill his observer, is certainly not remote.



"Johnny"

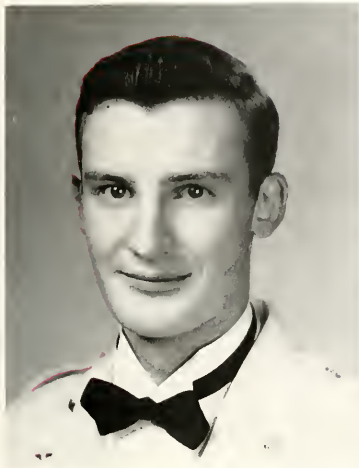


"Mac"



"Irv"

CLASS



John William McDowell, Jr.
Halstead, Kansas

Air Force

Chemistry

Private, 4, 2, 1; Corporal, 3; Basketball, 4, 3, 2, 1; Captain, 4, 1; Track, 4; Glee Club, 4, 3, 2; Cadet Waiter, 1; Distinguished Student, 3, 2; O. G. A., 1; Monogram Club, 3, 2, 1; A. C. S., 3, 2, 1.

When "Mac" left the plains of Kansas to come to Virginia, V. M. I. gained an outstanding student and athlete. "Mac" is now the proud record holder of "having made the most trips to Madison in a semester." He has been a standout team player in basketball and one of V. M. I.'s top chemists while still having a good time. Upon graduation we'll all miss the prince of the party boys, but we have no doubt that his ready wit, easy humor, and calm industry will project "Mac" to the top of his chosen field.



Beverly Letelle McGruder
Richmond, Virginia

Engineers

Civil Engineering

Private, 4; Corporal, 3; Sergeant, 2; First-Lieutenant, 1; Cadet Staff, 4, 3; Advertising Manager Cadet, 2; Business Manager Cadet, 1; Richmond Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; International Relations Club, 3, 2; Canterbury Club, 4, 3, 2; Secretary-Treasurer, Canterbury Club, 3; Secretary-Religious Council, 2; A. S. C. E., 3, 2, 1; O. G. A., 1.

"Twitch" drifted up to the Institute from the "Holy City" to learn what he could about Civil Engineering between trips to Richmond. During his four years at the Institute, Bev was known to all as a shrewd business man who always made a profit. Gifted with a terrific sense of humor his extraordinary laugh will always be remembered. Since coming to the Institute "Twitch" has settled down to one girl in Richmond, or is it two. At times, Bev has been known to smoke some pretty good cigars.



James Benjamin McKemie, Jr.
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Air Force

Biology

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; Virginia Academy of Science, 4, 3, 2, 1; Deep South Club, 2, 1; Basketball, Varsity, 4, 3, 2, 1; Varsity Track, 4, 3, 2; Canterbury Club, 4, 3; Cadet Staff, 2, 1; Officer of the Guard Association.

Out of the swamplands of Louisiana came our likeable friend, Jimmy, who began to wear shoes for the first time here at the Institute. His favorite pastime during his four years at V. M. I. has been translating German and he has had ample practice at it. An ardent T. V. fan and this is the only thing known to keep him awake past ten thirty. Chuck Noe's right hand man has been a familiar sight on the basketball court these past years. His likeable manner makes him a friend to all who come into contact with him and this quality will benefit him in later years.



"John"

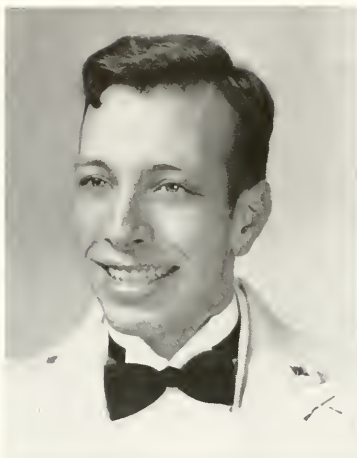


"Bev"



"Jim"

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Lee Graves McKnight

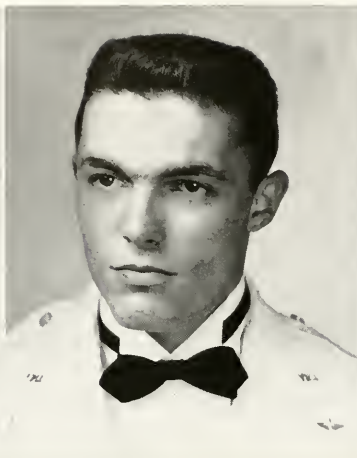
Washington, D. C.

Infantry

Chemistry

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; American Chemical Society, 3, 2, 1; Cadet Staff, 4, 3, 2; BOMB Staff, 4; Armed Forces Club, 3, 2; Timmons' Music Club, 1; Distinguished Student, 3, 2; Distinguished Military Student, 2, 1.

The ideal student, besides being intelligent, should be a good friend of his classmates and of his professors. An appreciation of the fine arts as well as a broad knowledge of the various arts and sciences is essential. He is a person who is trustworthy, honest, and loyal—a person who is serious in his effort to help his fellow man. Indeed, Lee is an ideal student.



James Lowry McManaway

Roanoke, Virginia

Infantry *Civil Engineering*

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; Regt. Supply Company, 2; Captain, A. S. C. E., 3, 2, 1; Swimming, 4; Track, 4; Chairman, Ring Figure Essay Committee, 2; Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities, 1.

Jim, better known as "Last" and to others as "Toad," came to V. M. I. four years ago after graduating from high school in Heidelberg, Germany. Somewhat of an international globetrotter, he is leaving behind him a record of his leadership and also as a man with a Sherlockian nose for a good party. Jim is the only man in our class to be mentioned in both "Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities" and "What's This." In all seriousness he has left his mark as a staunch friend and as a good leader. If all goes according to plan he should do equally as well in his career in the armed services.



Judson Thomas McRee, Jr.

Longview, Texas

Infantry

Biology

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; O. G. A., 1; Virginia Academy of Science, 4, 3, 2, 1; Newman Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; Banquet Chairman 1955 Ring Figure Committee; Texas Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; Secretary, 2; V. P., 1; Texas Flag Raising Committee, 1; Football, 4; Track, 4; Blood Bowl, 2, 1; Dyke, 4, 1; Room Orderly, 4, 3, 2, 1; Liquid Lunch Club, 4, 3, 2, 1.

The big, heavy-set blond with the flashing smile had a head start on most of us, since he is one of those well-bred gentlemen from the State of Texas. A typical Texan, if there ever was one, Jud has made his friends and intends to keep them. After reaching his first class year, Jud has shown an extraordinary interest in his class and the corps. There is a phrase that applies perfectly to Jud and surely everyone will agree that—"He's a good man to have on your side."



"Lee"



"Jim"



"Jud"

CLASS



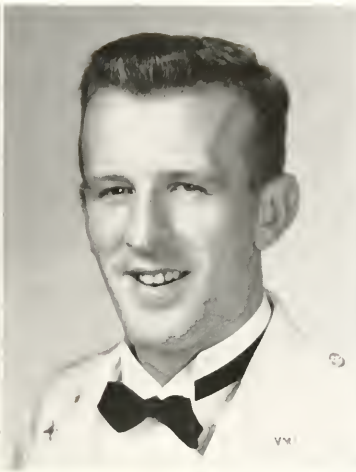
William Tolar Nolley II

Richmond, Virginia

Air Force Civil Engineering

Private, 4; Corporal, 3; Private, 2, 1; Hop Committee, 3, 2, 1; Cadet Staff, 4, 3; Turn-Out Staff, 2, 1; Richmond Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; A. S. C. E., 4, 3, 2, 1; O. G. A., 1; Crow's Nest Club, 2, 1; Monogram Minstrel, 3, 2, 1.

Bill, following in the footsteps of his older brother, came to us well seasoned in military experience, having served three years in the T. J. Cadet Corps. Being a connoisseur of fine liquor, a prodigal drummer and guitar player, a Jerry Lewis character, and being in the spotlight of every blast and every eligible woman in Virginia, he soon rose to the rank of corporal. His warm friendliness and continued success in class activities have gained Bill the respect of the Corps. His many friends are confident of his future happiness and prosperity.



Frank Joseph O'Connor, Jr.

Norfolk, Virginia

Artillery Biology

Private, 4; Corporal, 3; Private, 2, 1; V. A. S., 4, 3, 2, 1; Tidewater Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; Armed Forces Club, 1; O. G. A., 1; Basketball, 4; Baseball, 4; Archaeological Society, 3; Newman Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; Crow's Nest Club, 2, 1.

For four years now Buck O'Connor has been in and out of the sack and the Liquid Lunch. A member in high standing of the "Thank God It's Friday Club," he has striven to take the M out of V. M. I. Amid the laughter, confusion and tinkle of glasses however, he has progressed through four years of Doe's curriculum and Hollins College. We will always remember F. J. for his easy laugh and beary eyed smile. With these characteristics, he shall go far at U. Va.



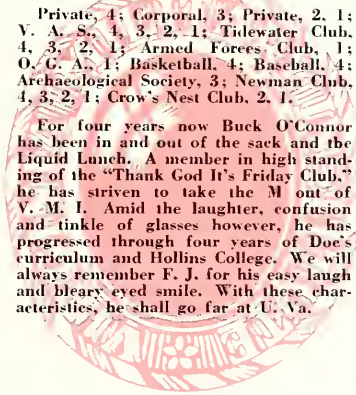
Timothy Henry O'Neil, Jr.

Lawrence, Massachusetts

Armor Civil Engineering

Football, 4, 3; Private, 4, 2, 1; Corporal, 3; Basketball, 4; V. M. I. Commanders, 2, 1; Assistant Coach, Rat Football, 2.

From way up North Tim came to V. M. I. to become one of the most popular men, not only at V. M. I. but at nearly every female school in Virginia. He proved himself a fine athlete in the sport and if it hadn't been for a football accident during his third class year he would have certainly become one of the finest football players ever to attend V. M. I. We are sure Tim will go far with his winning personality and warm smile if he would only leave the women alone for a while.



"Billy"



"Bucky"



"Tim"

BOMB



Dawson Randle O'Neill

Richmond, Virginia

Air Force *Civil Engineering*

Private, 4, 2, 1; Corporal, 3; American Society of Civil Engineers, 3, 2, 1; American Chemical Society, 3; Rat Swimming; Officer of the Guard Association, 1; CAP, 4; Pilot's Association, 3, 2.

Ran was usually doing one of three things in barracks, that is, telling "sea stories", sleeping in class or in the sack, or studying with the concentration of an Irishman drinking free whiskey. His tales of wine, women, and song were never repeated, for his stock-in-trade seemed inexhaustible. For these things, his quick temper, and his wit, he will be well remembered. In the serious vein, Ran used to stay awake enough to make good grades though these waking and working hours came when everyone else was asleep. With his above average intelligence, his winning ways with people, and his taste for tall blonds, Ran is sure to achieve his goal in life.



James Arnold Openshaw, Jr.

Southampton, Massachusetts

Aviation *Civil Engineering*

Private, 4, 2, 1; Corporal, 3; *Cadet Staff*, 2; *Army Air Force Club*, 3; *A. S. C. E.*, 3, 1; *Swimming*, 3; *Distinguished Student*, 2, 1; D. M. S.

"The aesthetic engineer" aptly describes New England's gift to V. M. I. for Jim finds a beauty in steel and concrete without ever losing sight of their practical and technical aspects. He will always be remembered for his tales, genuine and imagined, his unbridled love for skiing, and the constant search for the perfect girl. Having achieved distinction both for his academic endeavor and adventure time spent, and with versatility to adapt successfully to almost any situation, Jim should find real happiness and the joy of accomplishment in the field of creative engineering.



Edwin Nelms Osborne, Jr.

La Tuna, Texas

Air Force *English*

Private, 4; Corporal, 3; Sergeant, 2; First Lieutenant, 1; *Cadet Staff*, 2, 1; Assistant Feature Editor, 2; Editor-in-Chief, 1; International Relations Club, 2, 1; Honor Court, 1; Rat Football Team, 4; Manager of Rat Football, 2; Intramurals; Distinguished in General Merit, 2; Distinguished Military Student, 2; Superintendent's Advisory Council, 1; *Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities*, 1.

At last V. M. I. has found the one L. A. who doesn't spend most of his free time in the sack. By hard work and perseverance the good natured and ever smiling boy from "The Valley" has made his mark in the academic circles. This year he pushed academics aside somewhat to devote his time to his second love, the production of the *Cadet*. After Moon takes time out to give the Air Force a lesson on Strategic Doctrine he will move on to greater fields where his sincerity and diligence coupled with brains and personality are certain to make his every endeavor a success.



"Randy"



"Jim"



"Moon"

CLASS



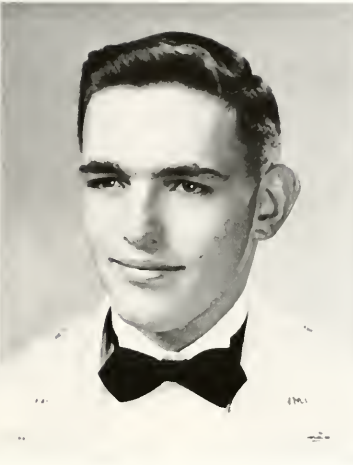
John C. Owen, Jr.
Arlington, Virginia

Infantry

Biology

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; V. A. S., 4, 3, 2, 1.

College isn't supposed to turn out a finished, end-product. It should produce a man that is able to cope with any problem encountered. V. M. I. and Jack must have agreed with each other, for J. C. is just such a man. Jack will be able to master any work in dental school and the weekends in between will never be dull. When the time comes to be serious, Jack will be serious. When the time comes to have fun, Jack will have fun. Through everything, serious or care-free, he will be smiling and helping others over the hard spots, making friends that will never forget him, as we will never forget him. Thanks, Jack, for everything from all of us.



James Robert Parker, Jr.
Norfolk, Virginia

Armor

Biology

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; Swimming, 4; Wrestling, 2; Intramurals, 3, 2, 1 (Football); Tidewater Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; Glee Club, 2; O. C. A., 1.

Jim, undoubtedly one of the most well rounded and easy going men in our class, is one of Doe's boys. However, he is a little too easy going for the military as was proven by the famous Suitcase episode, by which he earned his nickname, Suitcase Parker. Despite all competition a certain strawberry blond claimed all his attention and the result was a distinction which very few cadets hold. Jim plans to fly for the U. S. A. F. for a short while before entering medical school at M. C. V. With his friendly manner and pleasant ways Jim is bound to end up on top.



Donald Frey Parsons
Louisville, Kentucky

Engineers

Civil Engineering

Private, 4; Corporal, 3; Supply Sergeant, 2; Private, 1; Glee Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; Distinguished Military Student, 2, 1; O. C. A., 1; Intramural Sports, 4, 3, 2, 1; Cadet Staff, 3, 2; Associate Feature Editor, 2; Cheerleader, 1; Ring Figure Committee, 2; Armed Forces Club, 1; Soccer Club, 3, 2; Monogram Minstrel, 2, 1; A. S. C. E., 4, 3, 2, 1; Assistant Treasurer, 3.

Don entered V. M. I. with the object of earning a Regular Army commission. Although he did this, a civilian career seems to be more promising.

Never a man to miss a party, he nevertheless lists the possibility of graduate school as a possibility for the future.

Several mishaps with Mr. Ford's invention have strained his resources to the utmost but he always keeps a step ahead of ultimate disaster.

He possesses the personal charm, intelligence, and diligence to assure him of success wherever he may go.



"Jack"

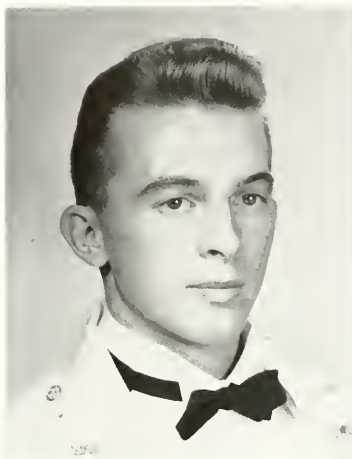


"Suitcase"



"Don"

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Robert John Patane

Great Neck, L. I., New York

Marine Corps

Chemistry

Private, 4; Corporal, 3; Sergeant, 2; Lieutenant, 1; Wrestling, 4; American Chemical Society, 3, 2, 1; Newman Club, 4, 3, 2, 1.

Bob, a brother rat of the Class of '54, found no difficulty in fitting in with the '55's. He's one of "Butch's Boys" who will serve two years in the Marine Corps before going to work with the Chemical Division of General Electric's Production Department.

"Patane's" personality and winning ways have brought him many friends and helped him achieve a high place of respect among the members of the Corps. With this behind him, Bob is certain to accomplish the goals he has set for himself.



David Walker Paulette, Jr.

Farmville, Virginia

Dr. Paulette

Electrical Engineering

Private, 4, 2, 1; Corporal, 3; American Institute of Electrical Engineers, 3, 2, 1; Armed Forces Club, 4, 3, 2; Southside Virginia Club, 3, 2, 1; Westminster Fellowship, 4, 3, 2, 1; Religious Council, 3, 2, 1; G. G. A., 1.

Coming to V.M. from Farmville and Woodberry Forest, David is as yet undecided about his future plans except the complete exclusion of anything military. A fast man with the Jet Oil, he invariably announced his intent to "top" his next grade, but always manages to come up with a respectable grade. Perhaps David's greatest asset is his inborn ability to "hang loose" in there for he never worries about a thing. Whatever field he finally decides to enter he is sure to be a success, for he possesses those qualities of humor, understanding, intelligence, and reliability that are valuable to a man in any walk of life.



Allen Lyon Penny, Jr.

Fort Defiance, Virginia

Infantry

English

Private, 4; Sergeant, 2; Captain, 1; Canterbury Club, 4; Vice-President Canterbury Club, 2; Vice-President Canterbury Club, 1; Glee Club, 4, 2, 1; Military Editor Cadet, 1; Turn-Out Staff, 2; Turn-Out Feature Editor, 1; Religious Council, 2, 1.

"Al" came to us after two years in the service, eight months of which were spent in Korea. He distinguished himself as a leader by making sergeant last year and F. Company commander this year. In the past three years "Al" has accomplished a great deal both in the military and extra curricular activities which leaves no doubt in our minds that he will succeed in all his endeavors. With such a pleasing personality and a generous heart we regret to see Al leave, but we'll have the satisfaction to know that he was one of us.



"Pentane"



"Dare"



"Al"

CLASS



Henry Pratt Perrine, Jr.

Springfield, Pennsylvania

Artillery

Electrical Engineering

Private, 4, 2, 1; Corporal, 3; O. C. A., 1; Baseball, 3, 2, 1; Armed Forces Club, 3, 2; Yankee Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; A. I. E. E., 3, 2, 1; Ring Figure Little Gym Committee, 2; Circulation Staff *BOMB*, 2; D. M. S., 1; Cadet Waiter, 1.

"Pete" settled down at the Institute after many years as an "Army Brat" and although a "Yankee", has almost been accepted as an honorary "Johnny Reb". Finally coming into his own, "Perone" joined the "Friday Night Club" and can be counted on to lend a hand, whether it be explaining Ohm's Law or helping a staggering brother rat back into barracks. After four years in the Bullpen, the academic fog has been lifted and "Pete" can head back to the Vineyard to pursue the same things he has been pursuing at V. M. I.



Theodore Richmond Peters

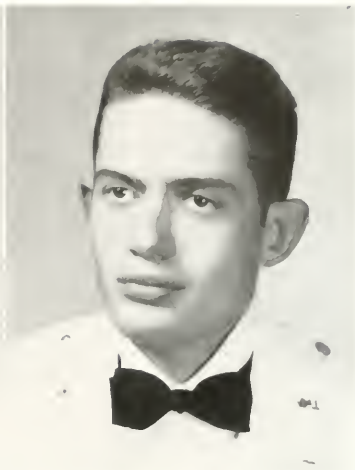
Manassas, Virginia

Air Force

Electrical Engineering

Private, 1, 3, 2, 1; Varsity Tennis, 2, 1; Barracks Electrician, 1.

Smiling he came; delirious he left. Yes, Ted was one of those men who just loved it here. A private through and through, he cared little for the glory of the parade ground, yet like all of us he stuck it out and worked hard—with good results. These were the results that earned him such nicknames as the "Great White Father" of the slide rule and the "Mathematical Snowball." But above all, he has been a great friend, and, with luck, we may meet again.



Macon Michaux Pettyjohn, Jr.

Lynchburg, Virginia

Armor

Civil Engineering

Private, 4; Corporal, 3; Sergeant, 2; Lieutenant, 1; D. M. S.: Distinguished Student, 2, 1; Varsity Rifle Team, 4, 3, 2; Co-Captain, 1; Ground Force Rifle Team, 4, 3, 2, 1; Lynchburg Club, 4, 3, 1; Vice-President, 2; National Speleological Society, 4; Secretary, 3; President, 2; A. S. C. E., 4, 3, 2, 1.

Here we have a member of the fearsome foursome which came to us from Lynchburg and swept the Institute clear of most of its honors.

Mich has haunted the top 13 of his class for four years and earned enough honor roll furloughs to send the Corps home one month early.

He has been outstanding in every organization that he has been in at the Institute and if he does half as well in life as he has done here, his future will be assured.



"Pete"

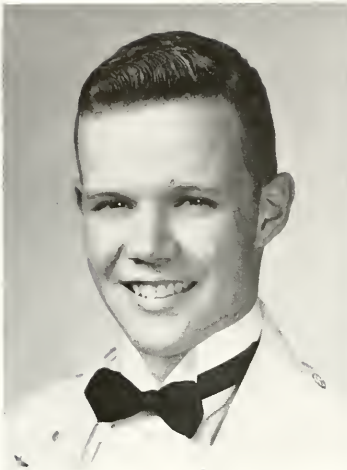


"Ted"



"Mich"

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Birch Beddall Phillips, Jr.

Williamsport, Pennsylvania

Air Force

Civil Engineering

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; Westminster Fellowship, 4, 3, 2, 1; A. S. C. E., 4, 3, 2, 1; O. G. A., 1; Basketball Score Board Keeper, 1; Academic Stars, 1.

Skip, one of Buzz's good "Yankees", came to V. M. I. from the valleys of Pennsylvania. After a rather shaky start he settled down and decided to work. He can now sport stars as a reward for his efforts. Skip usually spends his spare time polishing his bridge game, racking up points in gin rummy, or just in the sack. Whether it be flying jets in Uncle's "Chair Faree" or tackling the problems of the business world, we can be sure his easy going brand of determination will place him at the top of whatever he undertakes.



Charles Franklin Pilley, Jr.

Norfolk, Virginia

Technical Engineering

Private, 4, 2, 1; Corporal, 3; Varsity Tennis, 3, 2; (Co) Captain, 1; American Institute of Electrical Engineers, 3, 2, 1.

Frank is from Norfolk, and you don't have to associate with him very long to find it out. Having been in a bit of trouble in run into Frank's outstretched arms and receive sound advice on the subject. His sportsmanship and all-out determination gained him the Captaincy of the tennis team. His intelligence, sincerity, and unwavering sense of humor has gained him many friends and will carry him to the top in his chosen field, and since Frank never gives up until he has achieved his goal, he will always be a credit to V. M. I.



Arthur Lee Poffenbarger

Dunbar, West Virginia

Artillery

Biology

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; Rifle and Pistol Club, 4; Lacrosse Club, 3; Cave Club, 4, 3; Vice President Archaeology Society, 2, 1; Virginia Academy of Science, 3, 2, 1.

Having never been one to pass up a social opportunity, Bill is to be seen at all the parties where he lives it up with the best of them. During the course of his partying and other escapades, ranging from caving to kidnapping, he has run through several female acquaintances without a scratch. The fact that the "Barefoot Mountain Boy" has a well rounded personality is evidenced by his consistently high grades and frequent outdoor excursions. He has never ceased to amaze his roommates and friends with his quick display of ready wit and intelligence.



"Skip"



"Frank"



"Bill"

CLASS



Everette Allen Powell, Jr.
Culpeper, Virginia

Air Force *Civil Engineering*

Private, 4, 2, 1; Corporal, 3; American Society of Civil Engineers, 3, 2, 1; Armed Forces Club, 3, 2; Officer of the Guard Association, 1; Cadet Waiter, 1.

Four years ago Everette came to V. M. I. with the determination to put the best of his abilities into his cadetship. He is noted at V. M. I., not so much for outstanding scholastic achievement but for his wonderful personality, his hearty smile and a good word for all.

Ed will always be remembered for his "extra-curricular" activities up town during general permit and FCP and the casual manner he displayed by always getting back to barracks on Saturday nights ten seconds before CCQ.

We know that Everette will continue to exhibit his personality and firmness of purpose throughout life, that he will be a success in whatever field he enters.



Larry Everette Leroy Price
Roanoke, Virginia

Armor *English*

Private, 4, 2, 1; Corporal, 3; Canterbury Club, 4, 3; M. D. A., 4, 3, 2; Officer of the Guard Association.

In hopes of obtaining an education, Larry found a second home at our beloved Institute and delved into his many novels. Although generally hard at work in the library, Larry always seemed to keep up with his social life in Roanoke and surrounding communities. As one of the more satisfied men at V. M. I., Larry could often be seen studying or catching up with lost sack time. But whether it is social activities or hard work, Larry's diligent application will bring him future success and happiness.



Robert Malcolm Ragan
Garland, Texas

Engineers *Civil Engineering*

Private, 4, 2, 1; Corporal, 3; Baseball, 4; A. S. C. E., 3, 2, 1; Texas Club, 4, 3; D. M. S., 1; O. G. A., 1.

Bob arrived here from the great State of Texas. As a rat he was a confirmed bachelor set on a military career. However after one summer in Virginia both of these radical ideas were forgotten.

Although he never excelled in academics, he was always ready to try and help anyone. His main extra-curricular activity has been organizing expeditions to Madison College for V. M. I.'s love-lorn youths.

His future consists of marriage and engineering. We are sure his outstanding personality and desire to succeed will place him high in the ranks of great engineers.



"Ed"



"L. E. L."



"Bob"

BOMB



James Steele Ramsey, Jr.
Richmond, Virginia

Air Force

History

Armed Forces Club, 3, 2, 1; History Club, 3, 2, 1; Cave Club, 3, 2; Civil Air Patrol, 1; Private, 4, 2; Corporal, 3; Lieutenant, 1.

After four years at the Institute Jim has reached a mature state, but we are glad to see that he remained a boy at heart. Without a doubt he is one of the biggest livers to hit the Institute. This can be verified by the many afternoons spent in the sack or sunbathing on L. A. Beach. With all the big weekends and many blonde Amazons Jim became the foremost authority on women. He was the founder of the profound Ramsey Theory that, "an occupied mind and jets will replace the opposite sex." With his magnetic personality, imagination, and ability, he has gotten through the L. A. course without difficulty. Even with all his varied personal activities he became a leader in the military and we are sure the Air Force will regard him as one of their most enthusiastic jet jockeys.



Walter Jay Reed, Jr.
Charlotte Amalie
St. Thomas, Virgin Islands, U. S. A.

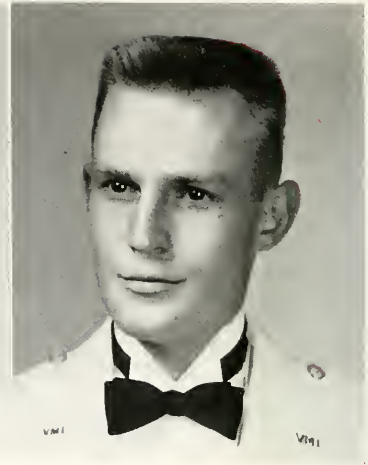
Air Force

Civil Engineering

Private, 4, 2, 1; Corporal, 3; Glee Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; Leitchburg Club, 3, 2, 1; Armed Forces Club, 2, 1; A. S. C. E., 4, 2, 1; Tennis Team, 4, 3, 2, 1; Canterbury Club, 4; O. G. A.; Manager Tennis Team, 2; Company Clerk, 1; Company, 1; Intramurals, 4, 3, 2, 1.

And then on the lighter side of life we have Walt. We usually find him sitting over a concrete problem, fighting with the Glee Club, playing in the corner between his bike and the Commandant.

Walt's frisky smile and personality have won him many friends at the Institute during his four years. Our future years will show that Walt with his determination will be a success and a credit to whatever field he may choose.



Robert Smith Rennicks, Jr.
Petersburg, Virginia

Air Force

Civil Engineering

Private, 4; Corporal, 3; Color Sergeant, 2; Captain, 1; Intramurals, 4, 3, 2, 1; A. S. C. E., Treasurer, 3; Vice-President, 2, 1; P. X. Council, 2, 1; Armed Forces Club, 2, 1; International Relations Club, 1; Honor Court, 1; Rat Swimming, 4; Distinguished Military Student, 2, 1.

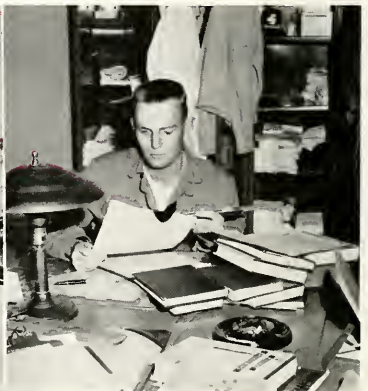
On that autumn day in September of '51, Bob donned a cadet uniform, which gave V. M. I. one of its few really gifted men. Striving for and attaining the best that V. M. I. had to offer, Renno's advice and trust were held sacredly by his "brother rats." Bob's heavy military and academic schedule did not hinder his social activity, which always included his one and only, Clara. Lacking no qualities of manhood, Bob's ladder of success should be an easy climb.



"Jim"

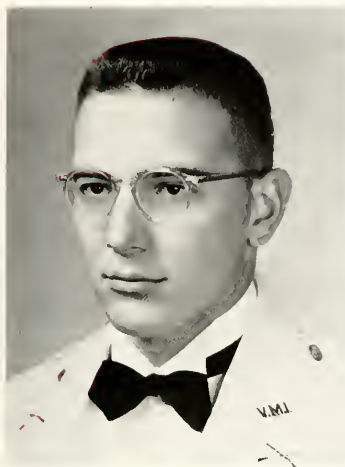


"Walt"



"Bob"

CLASS



Reginald Heber Ridgely III
Arlington, Virginia

Infantry

Chemistry

Private, 4, 1; Corporal, 3; Sergeant, 2; Swimming, 3, 2, 1; Co-Captain, 1; Hop Committee Vice-President, 1; A. C. S., 3, 2, 1; D. M. S., 1.

Reg's four years at the Institute have been marked by many achievements, perhaps his most outstanding coming in the field of athletics. His constant desire to succeed in whatever he undertakes has led him to become the best diver V. M. I. has ever had, and the most outstanding All-America candidate to boot. His strength of character and personality have been an inspiration both to his teammates and classmates. A "Gyrene" through and through, he will follow his father's footsteps into the Marine Corps upon graduation.



Charles Robert Ritchey
Lexington, Virginia

Armor

Chemistry

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; Cadet, 4; BOMB, 1; Distinguished, 2; American Chemical Society, 3, 2, 1 (Class Representative, 2, 1); Assistant Laboratory Instructor, 1.

"Chuck" is the tall, friendly liberal artist turned chemist whose earnest enthusiasm has earned him many friends around barracks. Cheerfulness is his chief characteristic and somehow he maintains his good nature and an optimistic outlook despite all the adversities of barracks life. These adversities have been especially trying since "Chuck" is one of Colonel German's overworked Chemistry Majors. Nevertheless, he has managed to stay ahead of the Chemistry Department and even gained honor stars his second class year. "Chuck" hopes to build his life around Chemistry; so next year he's off to grad school for four more years of study and an eventual Ph.D.



Logan Robins Ritchie, Jr.
Richmond, Virginia

Engineers

Civil Engineering

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; Rifle Team, 4; Indoor Track, 4; Westminster Fellowship, 4, 3; Richmond Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; Cross Country, 3, 2; A. S. C. E., 3, 2, 1; Armed Forces Club, 2, 1; Monogram Minstrel, 1; O. G. A., 1.

Logan is our Richmond boy who came to "F" Company in September, 1951. Since then he has become a real friend of all of us who have been fortunate enough to know him. He has always been on hand for a good time or to be of assistance when mischief was afoot, but in spite of his love for a good time every evening has seen him hard at work over the books in order to become a top flight civil engineer. With his good nature and perseverance, Logan will travel far along the road to success.



"Reg"

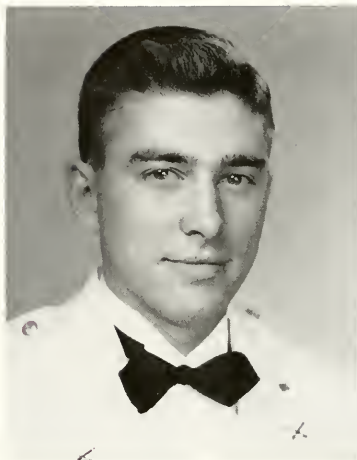


"Chuck"



"Logan"

BOMB



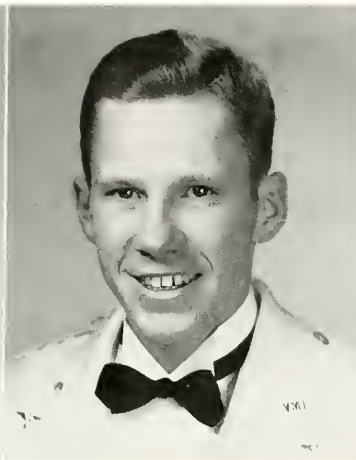
Jones Williamson Roach

Richmond, Virginia

Air Force Electrical Engineering

Private, 4; Corporal, 3; Sergeant, 2; Lieutenant, 1; President O. G. A., 1; Member General Committee, 1; Member Superintendent's Advisory Committee, 1; American Institute of Electrical Engineers, 2, 1; President, 1; Intramural Manager Able Company; Cadet Staff, 3; North Side Club, 1.

In the bleak fall of '51, the "Crow" flew in from Richmond. Ever since that unforgettable day, he has been quite the man about barracks. Whenever your dejected mind is about to get the best of you, Joe, with his humorous remarks, will sooth your hurt feelings. An advocate of the "Liquid Lunch", with Joe's absence it will never again rock like old. In many moons there will never be a more all around guy struggling up the hill of science. The E. E. department's "favorite son" will no doubt reach the height of success in his chosen field. Reason: He's so nice. Alas, "Come back Shane."



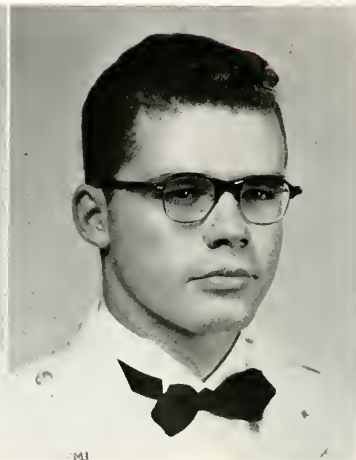
James Walker Robertson

Lynchburg, Virginia

Air Force Chemistry

Private, 4; Corporal, 3; Sergeant, 2; 1st Lieutenant, 2nd Battalion; Distinguished Student; Distinguished Military Student; Echo's Echo Among Students in American Universities and Colleges; The Moore Award, 4; Merck Index Award, 2; James I. Hoy Award; Cross Country, 4, 3, 2, 1; All Southern Conference Cross Country, 2, 1; Indoor Track, 4, 3, 2; Outdoor Track, 4, 3, 2, 1; American Chemical Society, 3, 2, 1; Monogram Club, 4, 3, 2; Secretary, 1; Flap-tist Club; Lynchburg Club; N. D. A.

After arriving from the far city of Lynchburg in September, Jim immediately set about making a name for himself at the barracks. Being a natural hard worker, Jim has excelled in all his undertakings, especially in track, studies and military. Always working, but never too busy to straighten out some bewildered fellow chemist, he has won the friendship of everyone. Always sincere and forever seeking the top, Jim's success in the field of his choosing is assured.



Ralph Stephen Rogero II

Palatka, Florida

Artillery Electrical Engineering

Private, 4, 2; Corporal, 3; 2nd Lieutenant, 1; Glee Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; Distinguished Military Student, 2, 1; American Institute of Electrical Engineers, 3, 2, 1; Armed Forces Club, 3, 2, 1; Cheerleader, 2, 1; Varsity Wrestling, 3, 2; Intramurals, 4, 3, 2, 1; Monogram Minstrel Show, 2, 1; Cadet Sports Staff, 2; Westminster Fellowship, 3, 2, 1.

If any E. E. could be called a Liberal Artist at heart Steve could. Spending more time at L. A. Beach than any two men in barracks, he, nevertheless, has compiled a fine record at V. M. I. This gay lothario, who has yet to enjoy the services of his own dyke, has decided to forego the olive drab in favor of single breasted charcoal. With his rapid fire sense of humor, keen wit, perspicacity, and tact, "ROGREGO" is sure to make his mark in the business world.



"Joe"



"Jim"



"Steve"

CLASS



Edgar Luis Rojas

Brooklyn, New York

Infantry

History

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; Baseball, 4; Cadet Waiter, 2, 1; History Club, 3, 2, 1; Newman Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; International Relations Club, 1; O. G. A., 1; Company Clerk, 1; V. I. P. A., 1.

The well-rounded man of barracks—whether it be study-wise, party-wise, or size-wise. Never one to neglect his parties for his studies, we can find Edgar ready and willing to keep the breweries in business. Once he put his mind to it, and became accustomed to barracks existence he has canked near the top in the History course. He is thought well of not only at the Institute but also at Hollins, Macy Baldwin, Southern Seminary and P. J. Clarks. Good luck raising coffee beans in Central America; we are sure you will be successful.



Basil Michael RuDusky

Alden, Pennsylvania

Artillery

Biology

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; Captain, fencing team, 3, 2, 1; Virginia Academy of Science, 4, 3, 2, 1; Yankee Club, 1, 3, 2, 1; Cross-Country Track Team, 4; Honor List, 4, 3, 2, 1; Distinguished Student, 3, 2, 1; Officer of the Guard Association, 1.

A high sense of honor, sportsmanship, and sincerity best characterize the captain of our fencing team. On the fencing strip, as an athletic coach, in the classroom, and wherever he may be, fairness, gentlemanly conduct, and a seriousness about life will always be his mark. A top scholar too, we may be assured of his success in whatever goal that he may choose. As for ourselves, we are looking forward to seeing a national fencing champion and a prominent doctor.



Travis Marsh Russell

Idaho Falls, Idaho

Marine Corps

History

Private, 4, 2, 1; Corporal, 3; Glee Club, 4, 3; History Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; International Relations Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; Rat Football; Golf Team, 1, 1; Armed Forces Club, 4; Guidon Bearer, 1; Officer of the Guard Association.

From out of the land of one-eyed potatoes came "Joe College" Russell to join the rank and file of the V. M. I. Corps of Cadets. Using the Marine Corps Hymn as his inspiration, Tad worked his way through golf, shoe shining, class parties, and even found time for history as a side line. Owning and operating his own commissary and hospital, Tad could be found slaving over a pot of coffee any time of the night or day. After three years of singing "My Heart Belongs to Daddy" Tad changed his tune to "Carry Me Back to Ole Virginny", Lexington that is! We all feel that with his pleasing smile and winning personality Tad will go far in the Marine Corps and the business world.



"Ed"



"Base"



"Tad"



Anthony Russo
Clifton, New Jersey

Infantry Private, 4, 1; Corporal, 3; Sergeant, 2; Newman Club, 2, 1 (Vice President); Ring Committee, 2 (Treasurer); Religious Council, 1; American Society of Civil Engineers, 3, 2, 1; O. G. A., 1.

Tony came to us from Clifton, New Jersey and has made an outstanding record at the Institute. Tony is one of the most conscientious cadets in barracks. His intelligence and drive have always kept him high in his academic class. His leadership and moral integrity have made him well liked. Tony plans to make a career in the civil engineering field after a tour of duty with Uncle Sam. There is no doubt he will go far in his undertakings. When Tony leaves the Institute, V. M. I. will be at a loss, and the outside world will stand to gain a good man.



Edward Holt Rutherford
Miami, Florida

Infantry Private, 4; Corporal, 3; 1st Sergeant, 2; Captain, 1; General Committee; A. S. L. L. Club.

Holt, sometimes called the host of 101, is an aesthetic person. He loves fine music and the arts, and to mention a blond angel from Mary Baldwin.

He was born a leader with a silver tongue in his mouth, and he has excelled in everything he has undertaken, whether it be his pre-medical work or his military duties. He has commanded the admiration and respect of all those who have met him, and he will continue to do so as he pursues his M.D. degree at the U. of Cincinnati Medical School.



Robert Stout Sage
Omaha, Nebraska

Infantry Private, 4; Corporal, 3; First Sergeant, 2; Battalion Commander, 1; Distinguished Military Student, 2, 1; Armed Forces Club, 3, 2, 1; History Club, 3, 2, 1; International Relations Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; Presbyterian Club, 4, 3.

Back in September of 1951, Nebraska sent its best to V. M. I.—“Pope” Sage. For the past four years the “Pope” has dedicated his life to converting the Corps to a strict military appearance. Through a great deal of work, Bob has advanced himself to the commander of the First Battalion and has gained respect from the numbers of the Corps.

It has been rumored that there is to be a memorial statue of Bob placed in the P. X. in memory of the many long hours he spent there.

Bob hasn't let a good thing get by him the whole time he has been at the Institute and that includes Miss Pooh Rayder whom he will marry soon. We all wish the best of luck to Bob and Pooh.



“Tony”



“Holt”



“Bob”



Joseph Sakakini, Jr.

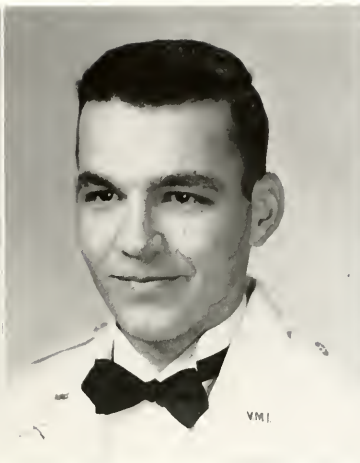
Norfolk, Virginia

Artillery

Biology (Pre-Med)

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; Corporal, 3; Virginia Academy of Science, 4, 3; Vice-President, 2; President, 1; Tidewater Club, 4, 3, 2; Vice-President, 1; Rat Football; Rat Wrestling; Assistant Trainer, 3, 2, 1; Canterbury Club, 4, 3; Officer of the Guard Association.

Almost any afternoon you're sure to find "Sack" in the Training Room treating the many aches and pains of the athletic teams. When you don't find him in the Training Room you may find him selling "fish" from an East Lexington hillside. With his easy going, helpful manner, Sack is sure to make a fine doctor. He is bound to achieve the high goal that he has set for himself and he will win favor with everyone he comes in contact with. I know "Sack" will miss V. M. I. and V. M. I. will miss him.



Reginald Heber Satterwhite

Fries, Virginia

Infantry

English

Private, 4; Corporal, 3; Sergeant, 2; 2nd Lieutenant, 1; *BOMB*, 4, 3, 2, 1; Co-Editor, 1; Armed Forces Club, 3, 2, 1; International Relations Club, 3, 2; Timmons Music Club, 1; *Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities*, 1; Distinguished in General Merit, 3, 2, 1; Distinguished Military Student, 1; Southwest Virginia Club, 3, 2, 1.

Regimental Reggie—barraacks lawyer, permit scribe, and advocate of civil law in the corps has become the idol of thousands of rats in his four years here. Known variously as "most exalted protector of Dodo's boys", "chief ticket puncher on the G. C. rocket" and the "bright star of Fries" he has proved his merit to all who know him. In spite of "interests" at Madison College and extra-curricular activities he has remained academically and generally distinguished throughout his cadetship. His openness and sense of humor have made him many friends and will continue to do so after graduation.



William Courad Sauler

Wheeling, West Virginia

Air Force

Physics

Private, 4; Corporal, 3; Sergeant, 2; Captain, 1; Distinguished in General Merit, 4, 3, 2, 1; Air Force Association Silver Medal, 2; President, V. M. I. Amateur Radio Club, 3, 2, 1; American Institute of Physics, 4, 3, 2, 1; Secretary, 2; Vice-President, 1; National Speleological Society, 3, 2; Canterbury Club, 4, 3, 2, 1.

From the hills of West Virginia Willy came to the Institute where he quickly established himself as a brilliant student and capable leader. Science was his one love until he met the girl he is meeting at the altar in June, and from that time on he divided his time between traveling to Mary Washington and designing a vacuum system in the sub-basement of the Physics building. He also found time to become a distinguished student and a member of the Regimental Staff.

As for the future we all know that Willy will be a success not only in his chosen field, but in every phase of life he encounters.



"Sack"



"Reg"



"Willy"



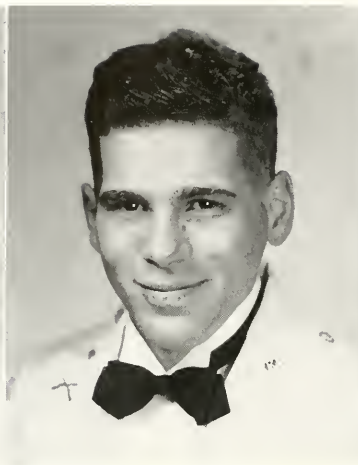
Peter Donald Scalzitti, Jr.
Chicago, Illinois

Armor

Pre-Med

Newman Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; Regimental Clerk, 1; Distinguished Military Student, 2, 1; Baseball, 4; Virginia Academy of Science, 4, 3, 2, 1; Riding Club, 1.

Pete left the "Windy City" in September, 1951 and became a part of the largest class ever to enter V. M. I. We have all learned from Pete how to be "easy going", for if there was ever a man who was unaffected by the modern day hustle and bustle, this is that man. Pete is one whose opinions are not overlooked, because he has an insight which is not peculiar to many of us. He was a good student and still found time to frustrate our Southern Belles. Towering above all this, however, Pete is what is commonly called a "Good Guy". We know he will be the success he wants to be in the medical profession.



George Halford Scherer
Shreveport, Louisiana

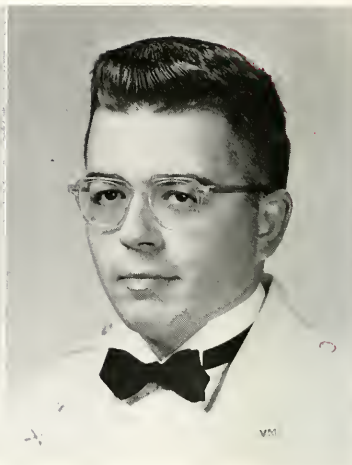
Infantry

English

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; Cadet Staff, 3, 2, 1; Corn-Op Staff, 3; Bards Club, 4, 3; History Club, 2; O. G. A., 1; Distinguished Student, 2; Deep South Club, 2, 1; Mississippi Club, 3.

George came to V. M. I. in weariness of the military in barracks. In four hasty years barracks life and many of our activities gave him manhood, bearing military experience, resolute character, career, an education, and a very promising future in whatever course of life he pursues. It is little wonder therefore that George loves V. M. I. and all its traditions. As one of those English wizards, all of the wonders of the classic gave him understanding.

We all are certain that George will be an ultimate success in the outside world with that one and only girl of his arm giving him inspiration and the will to achieve great heights.



Samuel Barron Segar, Jr.
Norfolk, Virginia

Artillery

English

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; Wrestling, 4; O. G. A., 1; BOMB Staff, 2, 1; Treasurer Tidewater Club, 2; President, 1.

Cadet Segar, S. B. . . (S. B. for "Some Boy") . . . alias "Smoky the Bear", is very well known for his quiet humor and big smile. The easy going guy from Norfolk has definitely added something to the Corps of Cadets during his four year sentence at V. M. I. Shedding his role of an industrious L. A., Sam will without a doubt, add a lot of warmth to this cold, cruel world.



"Pete"



"George"



"Sam"



Benjamin W. L. Semmes, Jr.
Garden City, N. Y.

Armor *Civil Engineering*

Private, 4; Corporal, 3; Sergeant, 2; 2nd Lieutenant, 1; Rat Wrestling; Intramural Wrestling; A. S. C. E.; Northside Club.

Although he migrated down from the far North, Ben has spent four hard years trying to establish a Southern reputation. His success in the venture cannot be debated, with one notable exception—his affection for Val, a good Long Island gal. If you see one of the band's tubas walking across the courtyard, you might find Ben hiding below, but a figure upended in search of a sick radio's ailment is sure to be "Hi-Fi" Semmes. Never one to wear the print thin on textbooks, those who know Ben well are convinced of his common sense, firm friendship, and a love of fun.



Nickolas John Servidio
Lyndhurst, New Jersey

Armor *Civil Engineering*

Corporal, 3; Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; Rat Football, 4; Varsity Football, 3, 2, 1; Rat Wrestling, 4; Varsity Wrestling, 3, 2, 1; Captain Wrestling Team, 1; Southern Conference Heavyweight Champion Wrestler, 2; Varsity Track, 4, 3; Monogram Club, 3, 2, 1; Newman Club, 4, 3, 2, 1.

Nick came to V. M. I. much heralded in sports, and almost immediately began to be one of V. M. I.'s brightest stars. In his years here he firmly established this reputation and has become one of the finest athletes in the State. Not only has he been one of the most outstanding football players, but one of its most stellar wrestlers too. Both V. M. I. athletics and the "Gin" will lose its steadiest pillar when Nick graduates. A hard-headed Yankee in the beginning, he has gradually become addicted to the "Great Cause" and will always be seen standing when "Dixie" is played. With a great competitor such as Nick on her side, the South is bound to rise again!



Alan Hale Shattuck
Niagara Falls, N. Y.

Air Force *History*

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; Football, 4, 3; Baseball, 2; History Club, 2, 1; Soccer, 2; Rat Wrestling Coach, 2; O. G. A., 1; Armed Forces Club, 3, 2.

Al, or Ole' as he is known to his soccer friends, quickly adopted the ways of his southern companions, and another Yankee entered our fold. Al has proved to be a loyal friend to those who knew him well. A football injury early in his third class year, halted his athletic participation, so Al took over as assistant coach of Rat wrestling team. We know he will always be a financial success as long as V. M. I. has a Mess Hall. Take care of him, Mimi, our loss is your gain.



"Ben"



"Scrapiron"



"Al"

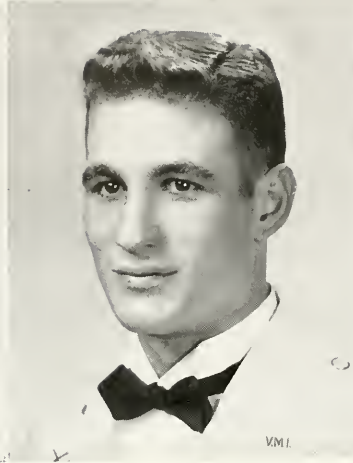


William Stephen Shea
Brooklyn, New York

Marines Civil Engineering

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; Newman Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; Armed Forces Club, 4, 3, 2; American Society of Civil Engineers, 3, 2, 1; Officer of the Guard Association, 1; Army Ground Forces Rifle Team, 4; Varsity Wrestling, 1.

Bill came to V. M. I. with his goals clearly set in his mind. His accomplishment did not come easy and his devotion to his studies is famous among his brother rats. Although he has been a "woman hater" for his four years here, it is not too hard to imagine Bill as a good family man. Two summers at Quantico coupled with a fervent love for the Marines have only reinforced Bill's desire to be a career Marine. No one doubts his success in this enterprise.



Charles Albert Sherry
Richmond, Virginia

Infantry Electrical Engineering

Private, 4; Corporal, 3; Sergeant, 2; Lieutenant, 1; Intramurals, 4, 3, 2, 1; Varsity Baseball, 4, 2, 1; A. I. E. E., 3, 2, 1; Vice Chairman, 1; Richmond Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; Armed Forces Club, 3, 2, 1; Blood Bowl, 3, 2, 1; Co-Captain, 1; Distinguished Military Student, 2.

Entering V. M. I. with a definite plan in mind, Tootie exerted himself to live up to the name his dad had a generation before. Having been provided with such an excellent background, V. M. I. training came easily to Tootie. He has excelled in every phase of his tracks and social life to be found at V. M. I. Not to be outdone in either the academic or sporting field, Tootie chose the double E course and played varsity baseball. Tootie has captured lasting friendship with all of his schoolmates through his pleasant personality and pleasing manner. These are the qualities that will help him attain success in the years to come.



Jack Sidney
Los Angeles, California

Infantry History

Private, 4; Corporal, 3; Supply Sergeant, 2; Captain (Regimental S-4), 1; History Club, 1; Distinguished Military Student.

Jack was one of the few who migrated from the western part of this country to join us in 1951. With stamina and determination, he has worked his way to enviable heights both militarily and academically. He is well known among the Corps as "Boscoe", the short, immaculate zebra who can frequently be found attending the trunk rooms. With his pleasant smile and sparkling personality, his close observance of rules and regulations, and his untiring efforts toward self improvement, we know that he will excel in whatever field of work he may choose to follow.



"Bill"



"Tootie"



"Jack"



James Lewis Skinner

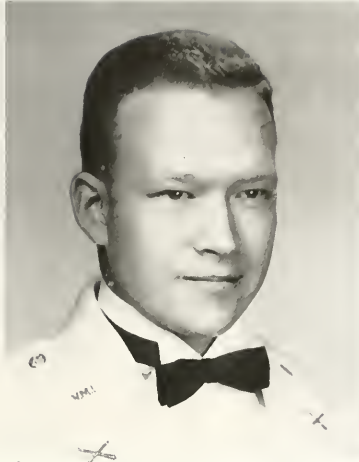
Ft. Thomas, Kentucky

Armor

Chemistry

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; Wrestling, 3, 2, 1; Fencing 3, 2, 1; Archaeology Club, 3, 2; O. G. A., 1.

Over the mountains he came in September, 1951, to enroll in Butch's organic class, a soul shattering experience for anyone, and to watch the leaves fade, wither, and fall to the ground; but now after four years, he has seen the leaves reappear for the last time thus marking the achievement of one of his many high ambitions. Jim possesses a deep, sincere, friendly personality, and applies himself diligently to any task with which he is challenged; he is one of the few who are seeking to improve their education through the assimilation of more knowledge and information. With these fine attributes and other winning ways, Jim is sure to be a success.



Clifton Dwight Slough

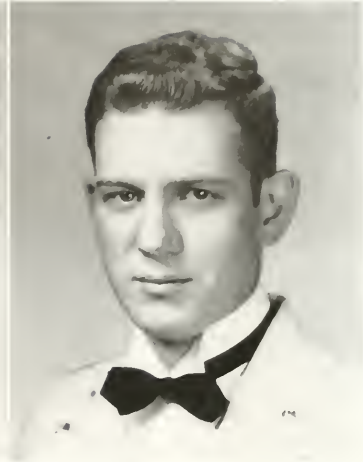
Glasgow, Virginia

Artillery

Civil Engineering

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; Corporal, 3; A. S. C. E., 3, 2, 1; O. G. A., 1.

"Walt" was one of the lucky few of our class who lived close to the Institute and consequently went home every weekend. He also had his "running girl" there, so he had life here knocked. Although he is quiet to those who don't know him, Dwight has a sense of humor that never failed him even when all the rest of us were complaining over our fate. With this rare ability to always see the bright side of things, Dwight will never have any trouble getting along with people, and his cheerful grin will stick in our memories.



Loyd Terrell Smith, Jr.

Lynchburg, Virginia

Armor

History

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; Lynchburg Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; History Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; Armed Forces Club, 3, 2, 1; International Relations Club, 2, 1; O. G. A., 1.

"Jiggs", as called by some and "Smitty" by others, the connoisseur of good charcoal steaks, quality women, and fine parties came to V. M. I. from up the pike and over the hill from the thriving metropolis of Lynchburg. One of the most prominent members of Fox Company's "Skid Row", L. T. boasts the recognition of first ranking first class private! Smitty has some very high ambitions and we feel, for we have grown to know him well, that he will achieve whatever goal he has set for life.



"Jim"



"Dwight"



"Jiggs"



VMI

Herbert Fletcher Southgate

Roanoke, Virginia

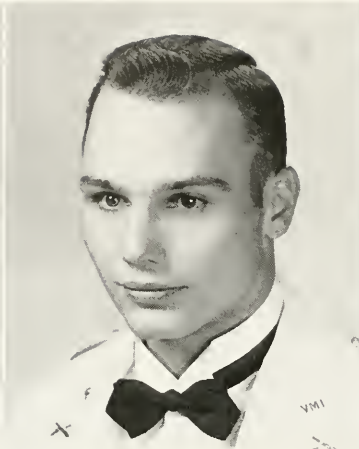
Air Force

Civil Engineering

Private, 4, 3; Sergeant, 2; Lieutenant, 1; Glee Club, 3, 2, 1.

Tuggy has been well known and liked by all since he entered V. M. I. four years ago. His willingness to help others has gained him many friends and he has been successful in his every endeavor as is shown by his high position in the Glee Club.

There is no doubt that whatever field of occupation Tuggy should choose after graduation, he will be successful. His personality and continuing effort to do a better job means a bright future for this graduate of the Class of 1955.



Owen Stamey, Jr.

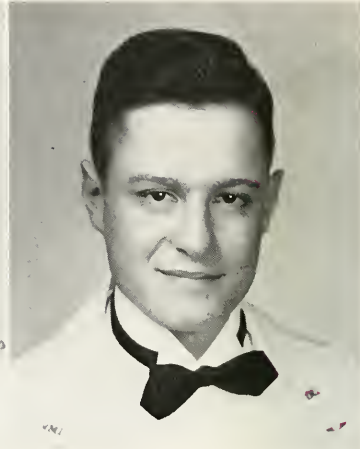
Rutherfordton, N. C.

Air Force

History

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; History Club, 3, 2, 1; Armed Forces Club, 3, 2; O. G. A., 1; Populist Club, 1.

From the Hub City of Rutherfordton came the cool operator known as Owen, an old-time Sewanee man. Owen has made many lasting friends at V. M. I. This tall with the receding hairline is also quite popular at such familiar places as Hollins and as yet no young lady has been able to get a real hold on this hard man. Owen, besides his outside activities, has attained a high academic standing, and plans a career in business. We know his personality and common sense will take him a long way toward realizing his ambition.



Palmer Newcombe Stearns, Jr.

Culpeper, Virginia

Infantry

Civil Engineering

Private, 4, 2, 1; Corporal, 3; American Society of Civil Engineers, 3, 2, 1; Washington Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; Armed Forces Club, 3; Officer of the Guard Association, 1; Freshman Football, 4; Cadet Waiter, 1; O. G. A., 1.

From the first day Palmer entered V. M. I. he has always exhibited that firmness of purpose and scintillating personality that has made him one of the most popular men in barracks. "Winky" became the nickname of Palmer since he has been very well acquainted with his "sack" during his cadetship.

Palmer's friendliness, honesty, and sincerity have gained for him the respect of all. Throughout life he will show the same character traits and will be a success in whatever field he enters. Palmer, ending his four years at V. M. I., has made an impression on his Brother Rats that will never be forgotten.



"Tuggy"



"Owen"



"Palmer"

CLASS



William Sprout Stickley
Penn Laird, Va.

Artillery

Biology

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; Westminster Fellowship, 4, 3, 2; Baptist Club, 4, 3; J. V. Football Team, 3; Archaeology Club, 2, 1; Cave Club, 4, 3; Model Airplane Club, 2, 1; Virginia Academy of Science, 4, 3, 2, 1.

One of the nicest things about being able to go to college is the opportunity one has in meeting such persons as Bill. Though quiet in manner, Bill has become one of the most liked Brother Rats in barracks . . . his generosity, consideration, and loveable nature has made him indeed a person worthy of the highest praise. By the looks of his mail box each morning his charm has swept from Virginia to as far as Oklahoma. And now as time comes to depart we wish you, Bill, a very successful medical career.



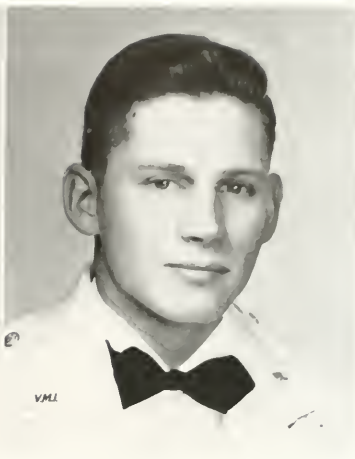
Richard Clifton Sutherland II
St. Louis, Missouri

Artillery

Chemistry

Private, 4; Corporal, 3; 1st Sergeant, 2; Captain, 1; Varsity Swimming, 4, 3, 2; American Chemical Society, 3, 2, 1; Monogram Club, 2, 1; Hop Committee, 1.

Dick, with his red hair and ever ready smile, isn't the typical show me Missourian, and with his barefoot, pipe smoking tendencies, he'll be at ease with anyone. Upon his graduation he'll lose a perfect deal that all cadets wish for, but in losing it, he'll gain something much better. Maybe his academic studies will do him no good in later life, but the bridge he played during study time for examinations might be of some value.



Eivind Olaf Svendsen
Glenwood Landing, New York

Infantry

Civil Engineering

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; American Society of Civil Engineers, 2, 1; Lutheran Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; Cross Country, 4, 3, 2, 1; Indoor Track, 4, 3, 2, 1; Outdoor Track, 4, 3, 2, 1; O. G. A., 1.

Swede, "The Scampering Scandinavian", migrated from Long Island, New York, to Lexington, a soft spoken and reserved individual. We sincerely feel that, pending no miracles, the lanky trackman will return to his native island just as quiet but having acquired many lasting friends. Eivind can be found each afternoon leading the pack around the oval on the lower field or in the field house. Needless to say, Swede's first love is track and second love—dogs. From where we stand it's evident that the girl who finally nabs this lad will be able to run a 440 in better than 48 seconds. His sincerity and friendly personality assure us that the future will bring nothing but continued successes.



"Bill"



"Sut"



"Svende"

BOMB



Thomas Harrison Tait

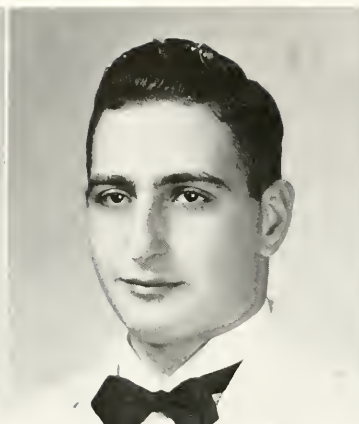
Glen Head, Long Island, New York

Armor Civil Engineering

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; Basketball, 4, 3, 2, 1; Track, 3; Glee Club, 4, 3; Lutheran Club, 4, 3; Treasurer, 4; A. S. C. E., 4, 3, 2, 1; O. C. A., 1; Monogram Club, 3, 2, 1; Cadet Waiter, 1.

"The Glen Head Terror" came south determined to leave his mark on V. M. I., and although Tom may not have set any scoring records, his inspiration and his rugged style under the boards made him a valuable asset to the team. Tom is one of those rare persons who can get along anywhere in any company. In his first three years at V. M. I., "Tater" never was one of the big party boys, but if the Institute be willing Tom is trying to make up for lost time this last year.

With his pleasing personality and easy going manner, Tom will certainly be a success in any field he may choose.



Martin E. Tanzer

Hewlett, New York

Air Force Civil Engineering

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; Team-Out Staff, 3; Advertising Manager, 3; Business Manager, 1; American Society of Civil Engineers, 4, 3, 2, 1; Religious Council, 4, 3, 2, 1; Armed Forces Club, 4, 3, 2; O. C. A., 1; Distinguished Military Student, 1; Yankee Club, 1, 3, 2, 1.

This Yankee Yankee better known as the "Nose" recently entered the ranks of '55 on a storm. He immediately arranged for plenty of leisure time and has had some ever since. Aside from being one of our most genial third raters, he has been our leading puller and movie critic and gripper. He is one of the fortunate few who will leave V. M. I. in a cloud. He and Bobbie will soon be wed, which will be the making of a perfect couple. It is hard to believe, but Marty is due to become a fast moving "jet pilot". Being gifted with a quick wit and a glowing personality, Marty will have no trouble climbing the long ladder the top of which he has well in sight.



Moncure Robinson Taylor

Margate City, New Jersey

Air Force Civil Engineering

Private, 4, 1; Corporal, 3; Sergeant, 2; Glee Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; J. V. Football, 4; J. V. Wrestling, 4; Cross Country, 3, 2, 1; Indoor and Outdoor Track, 3, 2, 1; Wrestling, 1; Canterbury Club, 3, 2; Lynchburg Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; I. R. C., 1.

"Monty" followed a family tradition when he came to V. M. I., and after the original shock the redhead proceeded to make a name for himself. A familiar sight on the track or on the mats, he also became one of Dodo's top singers. Originally quite a killer with the women, one little Hollins gal managed to straighten him out. "Monty" will always be remembered as one Bro' Rat always ready for a bull session, a good party, or hard work on occasion. His beaming personality and sincere ambition will certainly take him to the top no matter what field he chooses.



"Tom"

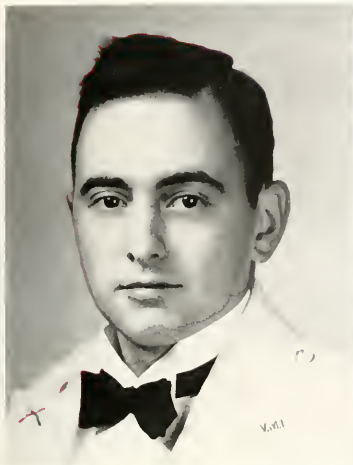


"Marty"



"Monty"

CLASS



Carroll Thackston
Concord, Virginia

Infantry

History

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; Lynchburg Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; History Club, 3, 2, 1; Armed Forces Club, 3, 2, 1; O. G. A., 1.

From the hills of Concord, V. M. I. was privileged to receive the "goat". After a bad academic start, he became a loyal member of the "smack rat" club and consequently reached a high academic standing. Carroll's social life has been, for the most, centered around Nancy, his true love and that famed city of Lynchburg. "Goat" is well-known and liked throughout the Corps for easy-going ways. There is little doubt in our mind that Carroll will succeed in whatever career he undertakes.



David James Thomas
Ballston Spa, New York

Infantry

History

Private, 4, 2, 1; Corporal, 3; Armed Forces Club, 2, 1; O. G. A., 1; Yankee Club.

D. J. came to V. M. I. a confirmed Yankee, but he soon realized that Southerners are both friendly and hospitable and as a result has made many lasting friends. Although quiet, Dave has managed to maintain a high regard for academics but does not let this interfere with his sack time or his relaxation at the L. & L. Although undecided on his career we are sure that his patience and friendliness will carry him through the hardships of life with ease.



Forest Carson Thompson, Jr.
Arlington, Virginia

Air Force

Electrical Engineering

Private, 4, 1; Corporal, 3; Sergeant, 2; Cadet Sports Staff, 1; A. I. E. E., 3, 2, 1; Monogram Club, 3, 2, 1; Varsity Swimming, 4, 3, 2, 1; Varsity Tennis, 4, 3, 2, 1 (Co-Captain, 1); Distinguished Military Student, 1; Distinguished Student, 3, 2, 1; O. G. A.

On June seventh the Institute lost one of its most outstanding E. E.'s. Skip not only excelled as a student but was an outstanding member of the swimming team for four years, climaxing his career by finally winning a State title. Although Skip wasn't born with a gift of gab, he was always on hand with one of his witticisms when the occasion presented itself. How he ever participated in athletics, kept his grades high enough to wear honor stars, and still found time for the sack as often as he did, we'll never know.



"Carroll"



"Dave"



"Skip"

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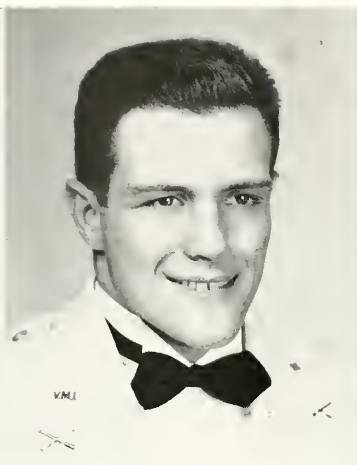
Roby Calvin Thompson, Jr.
Abingdon, Virginia

Artillery

Biology

Private, 4; Corporal, 3; 1st Sergeant, 2; Regimental Commander, 1; Honor Court, 1; *BOMB* Staff, 4, 3, 2; Co-Editor *BOMB*, 1; *Who's Who In American Colleges and Universities*, 1; Distinguished Student, 3, 2; Ring Committee, 3, 2; Chairman 1955 Ring Figure; Hop Committee, 2, 1; Wrestling, 4, 3; Distinguished Military Student, 2, 1.

"Roby", how about some help on this Physics," or, "Will I be alright if . . ." are only a few of the problems often brought to our first captain. Always going to bat for the Corps and yet keeping the Institute happy has been quite a job for this amiable lad and one which he has handled admirably. A glance at the activities listed above is enough to say that he has been an intimate part of every phase of life at V. M. I., from the military to the parties and from the academics to the hops. Outstanding in everything he undertook, Roby's guiding influence will be missed by us all.



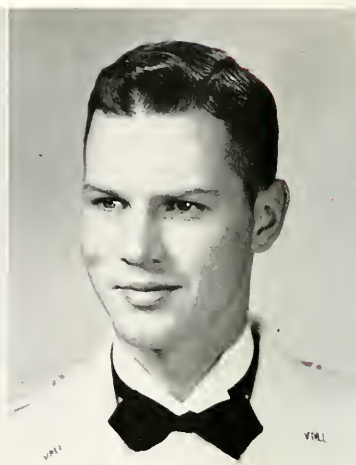
James Francis Thornton, Jr.
Athens, Georgia

Senior

Cell Engineering

Private, 4, 2, 1; Corporal, 3; Monogram Club, 3, 2, 1; A. V. C. E., 4, 3, 2, 1; Football, 4, 3, 2, 1; Wrestling, 4, 3, 2, 1.

"Jimbo", a yankee from North Georgia, came to V. M. I. with great military aspirations. These soon subsided when he was reduced from his self-lived rank of corporal. "Bo" has displayed his character on all athletic fields—particularly in football and wrestling, where he received the title of "A Yankee in the Toughest from Athens". Would do anything to get in a contest—played three positions in football, wrestled in three weights. His pet loves include the "High Neighbor" radio program and whiskey sours. He will always be noted for his sincerity, to which he can attribute most of his success.



Robert Vaughan Timms
Lock Haven, Pennsylvania

Air Force

Biology

Private, 4, 1; Corporal, 3; Sergeant, 2; Swimming, 4; Golf, 4, 3, 2, 1; Manager, 1; Virginia Academy of Science, 4, 3, 2, 1; Westminster Fellowship, 4, 3, 2; O. G. A., 1.

While at V. M. I. Bob was the only Yankee Missionary specializing in the reconstruction of the love life of the Southern Belle. While visiting his different parishes, namely: Southern Sem., Randolph-Macon, Sweet Briar, and Hollins, he found one Texas girl from Hollins who he thought needed extra special attention. Between visits he found time to be one of "F" Company's most notorious first class privates.

Bob is another one of "Doc's boys" who is going on to medical school and will no doubt continue making genuine friends there as he did here at V. M. I.

As Bob leaves V. M. I., the Institute will be losing a good man, the golf team a good golfer, and the South a good missionary.



"Roby"



"Jimbo"



"Bob"



John Joseph Tonkin

Warwick, Virginia

Air Force

Civil Engineering

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; Varsity Cross Country, 4, 3, 2, 1; Varsity Track, 4, 3, 2, 1; Varsity Indoor Track, 4, 3, 2, 1; American Institute of Physics, 4, 3, 2; American Society of Civil Engineers, 2, 1; Canterbury Club, 4; Monogram Club, 3, 2, 1; O. C. A., 1; Tidewater Club, 4, 3, 2, 1.

Jack, although the smallest in the room, has big ideas for himself and the Strategic Air Command. A convert from Physics, to one of Buzz Marr's boys, he'll be one of the better engineers, even though his extra-curricular achievements have outnumbered his academic ones. A native of Warwick, Virginia, he might someday work for that ship building and dry dock company he's always talking about.



Robert Lee Travers

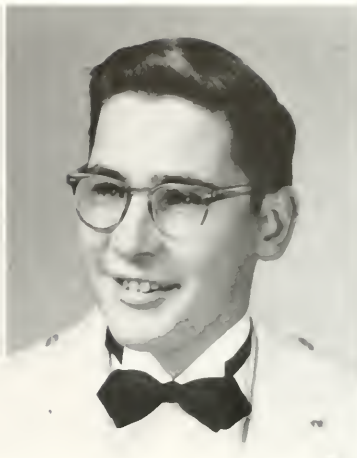
Warrenton, Virginia

Air Force

Civil Engineering

Private, 4, 1; Corporal, 3; Supply Sergeant, 2; Football, 4; Manager Rat Wrestling Team, 4; A. S. C. E., 4, 3, 2, 1.

The "Grand Ole Man" about barracks will always be remembered for his Paul Revere-like ride into barracks in the '38. It will suffice to say that "Beetle" was known by more different people in barracks than anyone else because of his friendly personality that made him attractive to everyone. This is bound to carry him to success in later life. A log of "Beetle's" hilarious experiences around V. M. I. would make a best seller for sure. Having already given his military services, "Beetle" now faces the trials and tribulations of the civilian world.



John Edwin Trevey

Big Island, Virginia

Air Force

Biology

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; BOMB Staff, 3, 2, 1; Business Manager, 1; Virginia Academy of Science, 4, 3, 2, 1; Baptist Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; Lynchburg Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; President 1; Baseball Team, 4, 3, 1; Honor Roll, 3, 2; Distinguished Student, 2; Distinguished Military Student; O. C. A., 1.

It didn't take long for "Big Island's favorite citizen" to make himself known in barracks as a competent business-man with a warm spot in his heart for medicine. He is perhaps the only V. M. I. man on record to have made grades, love, and money while undergoing the rigors of the barracks routine. And despite the convictions of Chuck Noe, Jack has well proven himself a worthy Bobby Feller, Jr.

A look at the future through Jack's "horn rims" holds many rewards: for, we are confident that he will become successful in any endeavor to which he seriously applies his capable mind.



"Jack"



"Beetle"



"Jack"



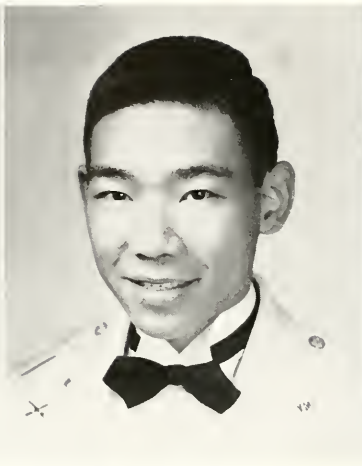
Jerry Ashby Trice
Arlington, Virginia

Armor

Biology

Private, 4, 3, 2; Lieutenant, 1; Baptist Club, 1; Blood Bowl, 4, 3, 2, 1; V. A. S., 2, 1; International Relations Club, 1; Intramural Football, Softball, 4, 3, 2, 1; Washington Club, 3, 2; Distinguished Military Student, 1; Distinguished Student, 3, 2; L. L., 2, 1.

A true student, Jerry never fails to have his work done promptly. Aside from being one of Doc's top pre-meds, he has entertained the remainder of us in his role as "section comedian." Although his successes in R. O. T. C. have won him recognition, his main objective in life is to be a doctor and a good one. His sincere personality and hardy character are sure to bring him success in attaining this goal.



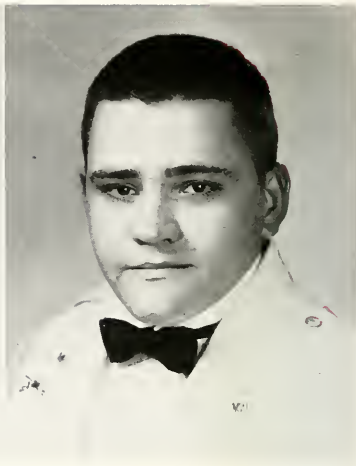
Meng Chi Tsen
Shanghai, China

Yong

Electrical Engineering

Private, 2, 1; International Relations Club, 2, 1; Allied Forces Club, 2, 1; A. I. E. E., 2; Turn Out Art Staff, 2; R. O. T. C. Committee for the Class of '57; Catering Club, 1; Cadet Waiter, 1; O. G. A., 1.

In the summer of 1953, "Meng" Tsen arrived from Paris, looking for the glamour of military training, after attending the University of London. Meng decided to cut his lot with the Class of '57 as a second class rat. During his two years at the Institute he has shown the adaptability of Eastern intellect by making the honor roll more than once in his first class year. His main goal was to make friends while acquiring military training, and in the future will probably see Tsen putting these two assets to work on Formosa.



Winfree Powell Tuck
Lynchburg, Virginia

Air Force

Electrical Engineering

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; American Institute of Electrical Engineers, 3, 2, 1; Lynchburg Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; Glee Club, 4; Pilot's Association, 1; O. G. A.

If you have ever seen that red PT-19 airplane flying in lazy circles around the Institute on clear week-end afternoons, you can bet your bottom dollar that Win Tuck is at the controls. When not in his plane you can find him tinkering with somebody's radio strewn all over the room, but no one could touch him at radio repairs. Win was a brother rat of the '52's, but his easy going, generous manner will be well remembered by us all.



"Jerry"



"Meng"



"Win"



Fielding Lewis Tyler
Virginia Beach, Virginia

Infantry History

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; History Club, 3, 2, 1; Armed Forces Club, 3, 2, 1; Tidewater Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; Circulation Staff *Turn-Out*, 2, 1; Cartoonist *Cadet*, 1; O. G. A., 1; Crow's Nest Club, 2, 1; Canterbury Club, 4, 3; Ring Figure Art Committee, 2.

Between the sack and the "Liquid Lunch", "Moose" has found time to earn his space on this page. Virginia Beach claims him but his only allegiance is to the Confederacy. A true "Virginia Gentleman", his four years in the barracks have been a series of calculated risks. Never one to let the "system" stand in the way of his social life, "Moose" has faded from his last drill and parade and can now devote his full time and energy towards furthering the only cause that counts: the Southern cause, Suh!



Harry Carter Valentine, Jr.
Norfolk, Virginia

Artillery History

Private, 4, 1; Corporal, 3; Sergeant, 2; Varsity Indoor Track, 4, 3, 2, 1; Varsity Outdoor Track, 4, 3, 2, 1; Jr. Varsity Basketball, 4; Art Staff of the *Turn-Out*, 2, 1; Art Editor of the *Turn-Out*, 1; Cheerleader, 2, 1; Head Cheerleader, 1; Tidewater Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; History Club, 3, 2, 1; O. G. A., 1; Crow's Nest Club, 2, 1; Monogram Club, 3, 2, 1; Armed Forces Club, 3, 2; Ring Figure Committee, 2.

Among those retreating from the battered walls of barracks this year is Carter Valentine; athlete, artist, historian of sorts, and friend to all. Throughout our four years here Carter has given much to our class and to V. M. I. Turning his back to no one, Carter's engaging personality led him through his four years at V. M. I. Rumor has it that the Marine Corps is currently engaged with the Field Artillery for his services, but he is earnestly planning a career in the motion picture industry. Farewell, Norman Rockwell, Lem Shepherd, and Cecil R. DeMille!



David Conrad Via
Roanoke, Virginia

Air Force Civil Engineering, U. S. Navy

Roanoke Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; A. S. C. E., 4, 3, 2, 1; O. G. A.

"Connie" broke his family tradition of sending their sons to Blackburg and entered V. M. I. as a Brother Rat of the Class of '54. His quiet, easy going personality has won him many lifelong friends. An adventurer and L. A. at heart, Connie's diversions have ranged from Hollins to Randolph-Macon. His interest in Engineering will undoubtedly take him far in both his military and civilian careers.



"Moose"



"Carter"



"Connie"



Vincent Joseph Vitali, Jr.

West Haven, Connecticut

Air Force Civil Engineering

Glee Club, 4, 3, 2; A. S. C. E., 3, 2, 1; Armed Forces Club, 2, 1; Newman Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; O. G. A., 1; Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; Yankee Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; Intramurals: Softball, 4, 2, 1; Volleyball, 2, 1; Water Polo, 4.

Out of the far North came a man who wanted to try his hand at the many phases of cadet life. "Vinnie" has accomplished this with much success. His generosity and friendliness are lasting qualities which we can never forget. A lover of a good party, "Vinnie" also doesn't mind work. With his ready smile and that certain girl along, there can be nothing but a full and prosperous career for this vivacious "Connecticut Yankee."



Frank Brock Walter

Ridgewood, New Jersey

Air Force Chemistry

Private, 4, 2, 1; Corporal, 3; Rat Football, 4; Rat Basketball, 4; Rat Basketball, 4; Varsity Basketball, 3, 2, 1; Varsity Basketball, 3, 2; Monogram Club, 3, 2, 1; Executive Council, Monogram Club, 1; American Chemical Society, 3, 2, 1; Newman Club, 2, 1; President, Newman Club, 1; Religious Council, 2, 1; Secretary, Religious Council, 1; Honor Court, Ring Figure, Invitations Committee, 2; Graduation Invitations Committee, 1; O. G. A., 1.

Frank, although not among the most scholastic men in the first class chemistry section, is probably the one with the greatest number of extra-curricular activities. Even though these activities were not always appreciated by some officers here at the Institute, he has become one of the school's best all around athletes. While attending the Institute, he has become one of the best known and most liked individuals. With his easy going ways and the application of these features, he will always make a difficult job look easy.



Macon Brantley Walton

Richmond, Virginia

Artillery History

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; Armed Forces Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; I. R. C., 4, 3, 2, 1; Floor Committee, 4, 3; Cave Club, 4, 3; Canterbury Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; History Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; Fencing Club, 3; Religious Council, 4; Art Staff Turn-Out, 4, 3, 2; Circulation Staff Cadet, 1; Richmond Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; O. G. A., 1.

A victim of circumstances "Punkie" left our hallowed halls after a riotous year and a half for a semester's term at that other "military" school. The sack lab of the L. A. curriculum convinced him to pass up a future in chemistry as indicated by his proficiency in Rat Chemistry. This staunch Anglophile, and true martyr for his convictions, is sacrificing a brilliant career as an artillery officer for a devoted calling. "Father" Walton will be remembered for his quiet, friendly, and sincere manner and will never forget his Alma Mater or Class during his tour in Uncle Sam's "national fraternity".



"Vinnie"



"Frank"



"Punkie"

CLASS



William McIntosh Washington
Riverton, New Jersey

Air Force

English

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; Timmons Music Society, 2, 1; Westminster Fellowship, 4, 3, 2; Armed Forces Club, 2, 1; O. G. A., 1; H. N. Dillard Fan Club, 4, 3, 2, 1 (Charter Member).

"The Phantom" has flitted in and out of corridors of L. A. department just as he flitted through the rat line without a care except his Nance. Will was perhaps the most serious and original of the English majors, and his sarcastic comments, in class and out, made us laugh just when we felt the worst. In constant conflict with his bete-noire Dodo, Will always managed to emerge the victor. His likable personality and his humor make him a friend to be valued, and those who have known him can consider themselves indeed very fortunate.

William Frederick Wege
Schenectady, New York

Air Force

Physics

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; Varsity Wrestling, 4, 3; Canterbury Club, 4; Intramural Softball, Football, Basketball, and Wrestling; American Institute of Physics, 4, 3, 2, 1; Officer of the Guard Association, 1.

One who mastered the art of irritating those around him, the kid from Schenectady himself remained always inimitable. Always smiling, Bill's personality was one that was quick to attract friendship, and quick to spread good will to all who came in contact with him.

Because Bill was seldom seen making his way about the post without the presence of roommate Irv, the two were appropriately labeled the "Twins".

Bill seems bound for an Air Force career, and as fate might have it, we certainly would not be surprised to find Bill riding piggy back as observer with—you guessed it—Irv at the controls of a fast moving jet.

Alford Montague White, Jr.
Lynchburg, Virginia

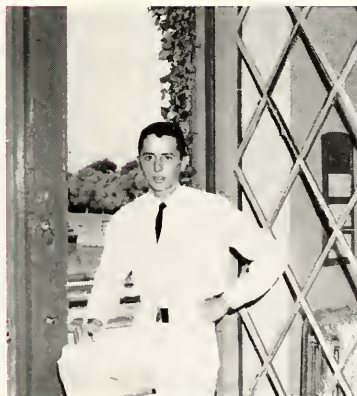
Air Force

Civil Engineering

American Society of Civil Engineers; Lynchburg Club; Commanders, 3, 2, 1; Private, 4, 2, 1; Corporal, 3; Track Team, 4, 3; Golf Team, 3, 2, 1; Football, 4; O. G. A., 1.

"Monty" came to the Institute in 1950. He liked it so much he decided to make a five-year career of his internment. Between "pounding the drums", chasing golf balls, and working on "Buzz" Marr's highway crew, he concentrates on a little cutie named "Ginny".

I'm sure "Monty" with his determination, ambition, and "Ginny" will succeed in whatever he attempts.



"Bill"



"Bill"



"Monty"

BOMB



William Irvine Whitefield, Jr.
Roanoke, Virginia

None

History

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; Methodist Club, 4; Secretary, 3; President, 2, 1; Roanoke Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; International Relations Club, 2, 1; History Club, 1; Religious Council, 3, 2, 1; Cadet Staff, 1; Cadre, 1; O. G. A., 1.

Quiet and unassuming, Bill has filled his four years here at V. M. I. with a variety of activities. Interested primarily in helping the Corps establish a stronger religious foundation, he has always been ready to extend his friendship to all, asking little in return. In academic work as well as extra-curricular, he has shown his ability of being able to follow a job though until its completion, which in itself is an accomplishment to be envied. And so as another phase of our education comes to a close, it seems quite possible that in your chosen career, Bill, your friendship will be as much sought after by new associates as it has been by so many in the past few years.

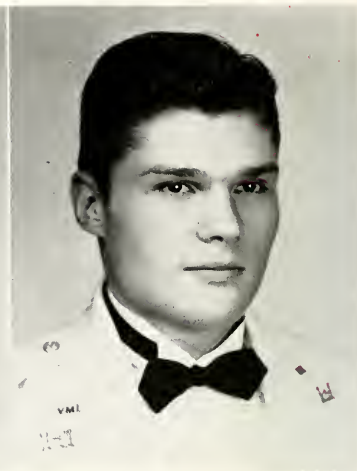


Edward Madison Whitlock, Jr.
Farmville, Virginia

Infantry Civil Engineering

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; Methodist Club, 4; American Society of Civil Engineers, 3, 2, 1; O. G. A., 1; Southside Virginia Club, 3, 2, 1.

Ned Farmville born and bred, came to the Institute with his sights set on a diploma in Civil Engineering. Ned has shouldered this task and completed it with flying colors. Through the many tribulations of academic rat race and the military, he has always been there with his congenial personality that has successfully brought him through 24 years. In our estimation this will bring him great dividends in any undertaking he attempts. Black-eyed peas, red salad, ham, spoon bread followed by a good open fire, and Jackie is Ned's idea of the way to live. We believe he will always be a man that we are proud to call our Brother Rat.



Frederic Charles Willard
Cleveland, Ohio

Infantry

English

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; Cross Country, 4, 3, 2, 1; Indoor Track, 4, 3, 2, 1; Baseball 3, 2, 1; Monogram Club; O. G. A., 1.

Though Fred has never been too interested in the military system he has contributed much to V. M. I. through his performance in Cross Country, Indoor Track and Baseball. To those who do not know him too well Fred may seem like the quiet reserved type; but to the contrary he has a great sense of humor and can keep you amused for hours. Perhaps his Public Speaking section will best remember him for his Africa speech. Congratulations to Fred; after planning to leave at the end of every semester he finally made it.



"Bill"



"Ned"



"Fred"



Stanley Paul Williams
Washington, D. C.

Air Force

History

Private, 4; Corporal, 3; Sergeant, 2; Lieutenant, 1; Armed Forces Club, 4, 3; Secretary, 2; Vice-President, 1; International Relations Club, 2, 1; History Club, 2, 1; Business Staff *BOMB*, 2; Editorial Staff *BOMB*, 1; Library Staff, 1.

"S. P." (spit and polish), will be much remembered for his competitive spirit, displayed both on the drill field and in the classroom. In spite of an up and down military history, Stan has maintained a high standard of perfection, a virtue which will undoubtedly carry him to a successful future in the Air Force and in civilian life. Stan's energies found diversification in such fields as the opposite sex, dancing, and automobiles. With his warm smile and pleasant manner we know that Stan will find only more friends and continued success after graduation.



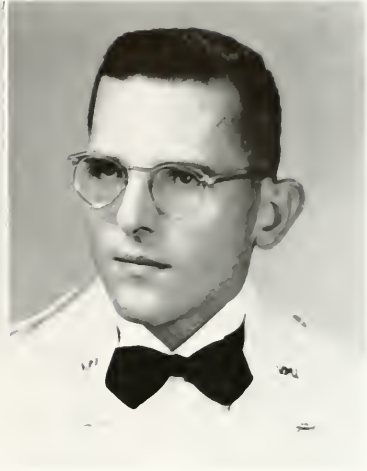
Thomas Garnett Williamson
Bluefield, West Virginia

Artillery

Physics

Private, 4, 2, 1; Corporal, 3; Guidon Bearer, 1; Intramural Manager, 2, 1; American Institute of Physics, 4, 3, 2, 1; Canterbury Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; Track, 4; Academic Stars, 1; O. G. A., 1.

Tom came out of "them thar" hills of "West by Gawd" Virginia in September of '51 to enter the four grey walls. He quickly got used to the system and has continually made his mark in many fields around barracks. Tom has gotten many things out of life at the Institute, both academically and socially; spending most of his first class week-ends in Lynchburg. Success is a sure shot for this likeable, down-to-earth young man.



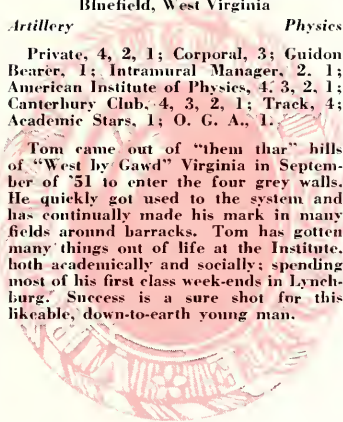
Horace Wilson Woodhouse, Jr.
Norfolk, Virginia

Armor

Civil Engineering

Private, 4, 3, 2, 1; Tidewater Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; Pilots Association, 3, 2, 1; Civil Air Patrol, 4; Ground Observer Corps, 2; A. S. C. E., 4, 3, 2, 1; Canterbury Club, 4, 3; O. G. A., 1; Cross Country Gun and Hiking Club, 4, 3, 2, 1.

"Woody" has been a cadet here at V. M. I. for five years, not because he lacks intelligence, but because he has a phobia for examinations. In these five years he has displayed a hidden quality to get along with his fellow cadets and all those he comes in contact with. Combined with the neatness and sincerity of his work, he should do well in his chosen profession, accountancy. He has a love for fun, an eagerness to tinker with and create unusual mechanisms, and an interest in flying. He'll go far.



"Stan"

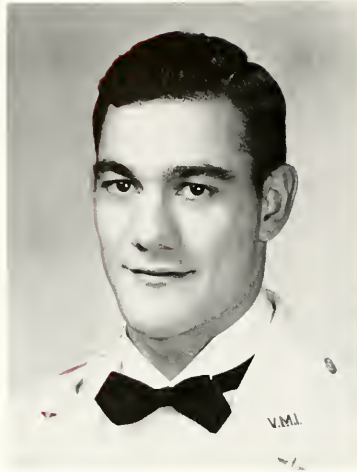


"Tom"



"Woody"

FIRST CLASS



David Franklin Woolwine

Abingdon, Virginia

Army Force Chemistry
 Private, 4, 2, 1; Corporal, 3; *Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities*, 1; *Moneygram*, Feb., 4, 3, 2, 1; President, 1; Treasurer, 2; Varsity Football, 1, 3, 2, 1; AP & 1; All-State, 2nd Team, All-Southern, 1; Chemistry, 1, 2, 1; American, 2, 1; Varsity Baseball, 4, 3, 2, 1; All-State, 2; Captain, 1; American Chemical Society, Cadet Representative to Athletic Council, 1; Sports Editor, *BOMB*; Southwest Virginia Club, 4, 3, 2, 1; President, 1; O. C. A., 1.

Dave has proven that it's the size of the "motor" and not of the man that counts. Not only on the athletic field but throughout life he has shown the leadership and friendliness which will carry him to the top in life. Dave will long be remembered by us, his Brother Rats, as the small man who will always end on top, however great the obstacle may be.

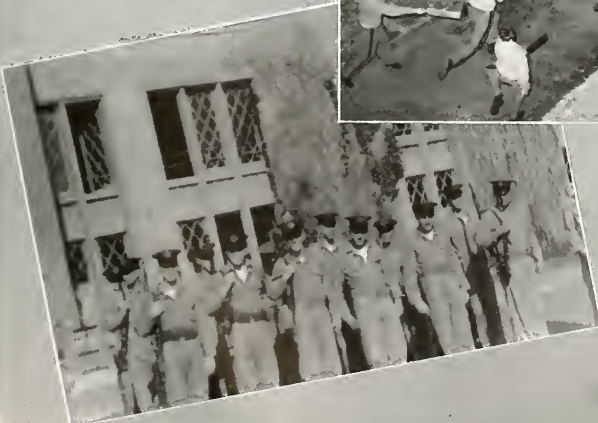


"Dave"

1955 BOMB

The Corps At Ease







SECOND CLASS HISTORY

During the past three years so many events have slipped past that we sometimes find it difficult to collect them all as memories. There are, of course, the unpleasant recollections as well as the pleasant, but all of them are stamped for us with that certain indefinable something that is VML.

Perhaps more vivid than the others are our recollections of the Rat Year. We remember surreptitiously greeting a Brother Rat in the Rat Line, straining over innumerable radiators, our first hops, the coatees, the ducks, and more than anything else the joy of becoming an Old Cadet, an integral part of that system that we had grown to love over and above the minor tribulations of a difficult Rat Year. The thing, however, for which we are most grateful is that unity of class that grew from a closeness born of pure fear and unfamiliarity to a strong tie of mutual understanding and friendship that will last as long as there are members of the class to recall days past.

The Third Class Year was a change that bound our class even more closely than before. The first few weeks were pure delight; however, the elation that accompanied responsibility soon palled and we found that there was more to enforcing the Rat Line than pleasure. We found that it could be tiring, even monotonous, but we continued in our

efforts with a singleness of purpose because, aside from the pure responsibility of our position, we knew that only by creating a strong Rat Line could we mould a strong class. The year ended on a note of success and at Finals we saw, in addition to numerous parties, picnics, some of our Brother Rats assuming truly responsible positions in the Corps of Cadets.

This, our Second Class Year, has been a year of preparation. Through the haze of a glorious Ring Figure we perceived the goal which we have all been seeking for so long. Along with our class rings and the famous \$200 kiss we received the knowledge that in a short time we would have to be ready to assume the role of "the Lords of Barracks," to accept positions of responsibility, and to devote ourselves to the Institute as well as to ourselves. It is toward this end that we have channeled much of our energy during the past nine months, and it is this end which we hope to achieve during the coming year.

The year is over; Summer Camp is impending. The Class of 1956 has finished three long years fraught with frustration yet abounding in pleasure. We have covered a lot of ground since we entered the arch without even a basic knowledge of the purposes of the school. We are ready, because VMI has made us ready, to become next year's First Class.



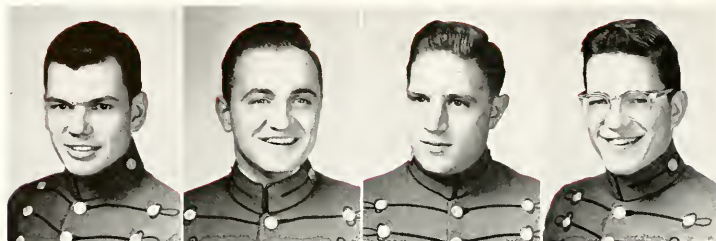
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THOMAS MASSIE
President

JAMES N. BRAWNER
Vice-President

Second Class Officers

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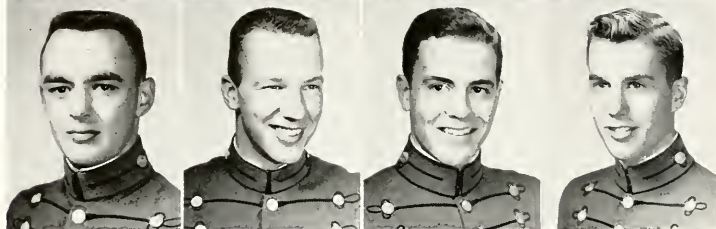


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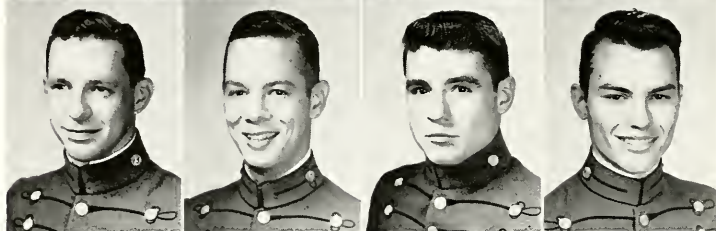


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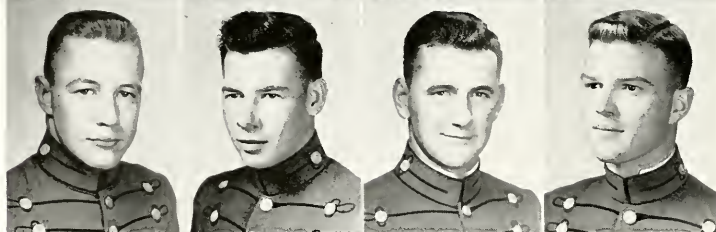


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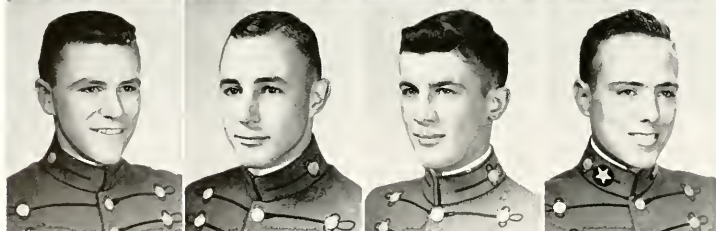


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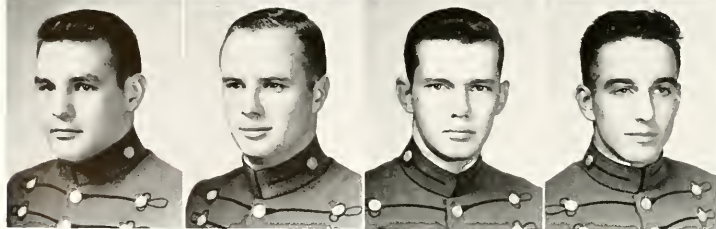


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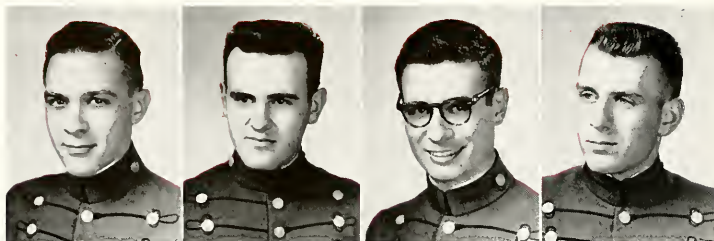
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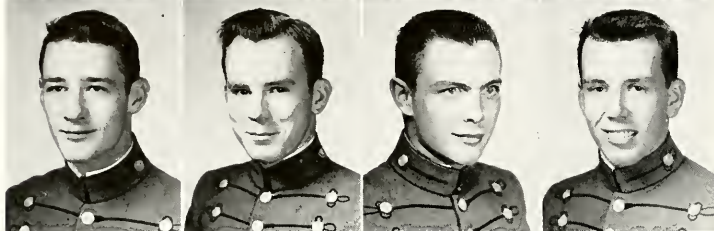


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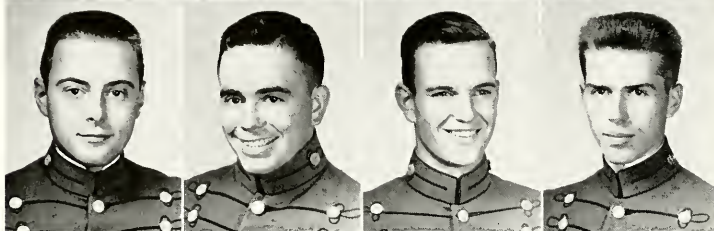


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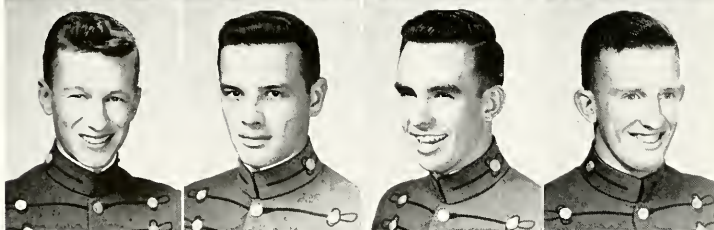


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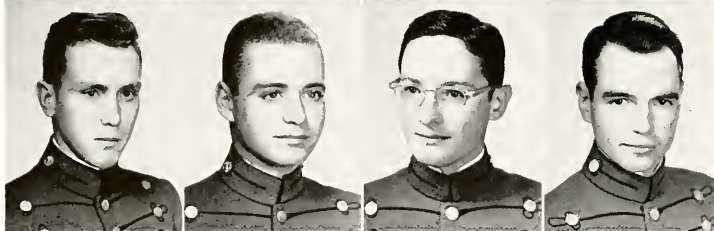


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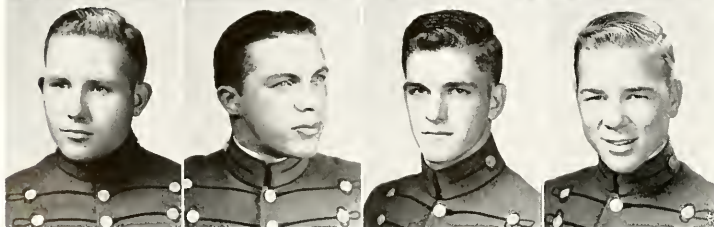


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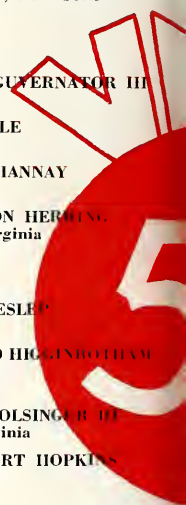


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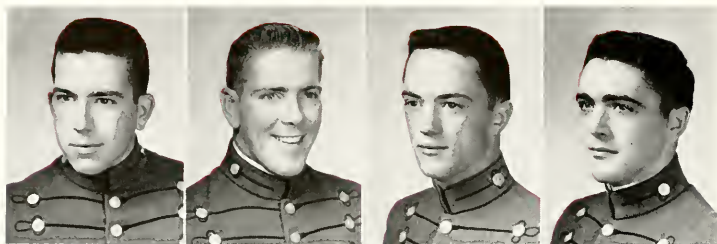
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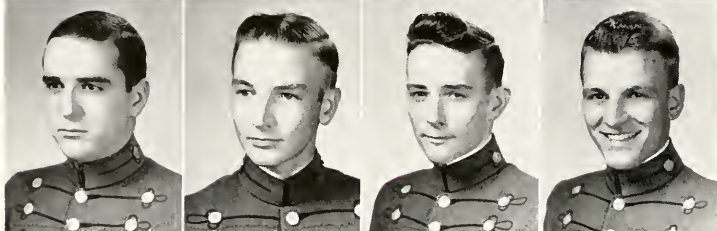


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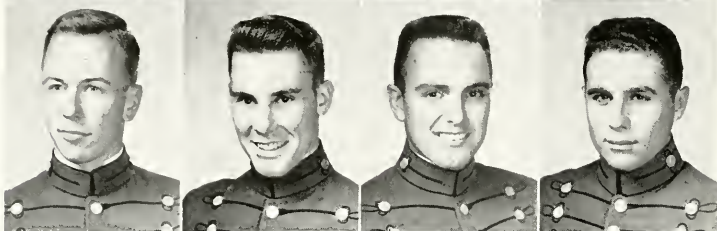


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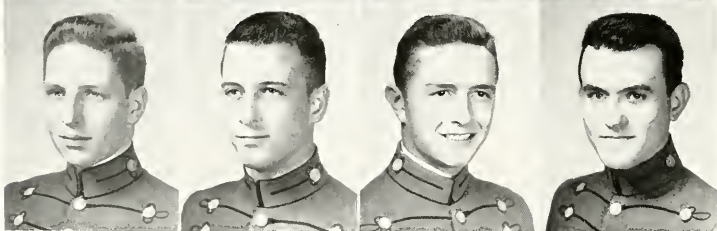


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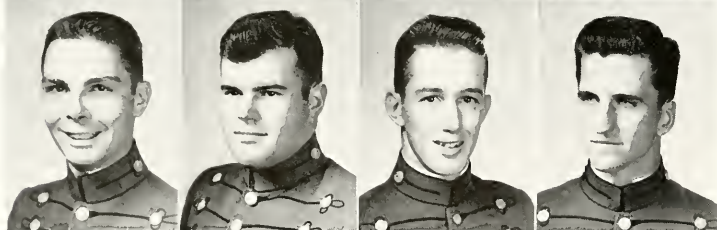


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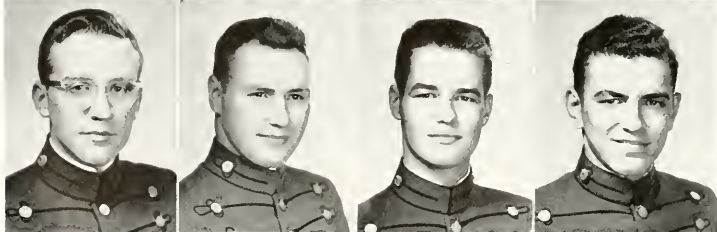


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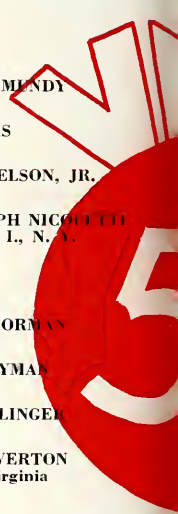


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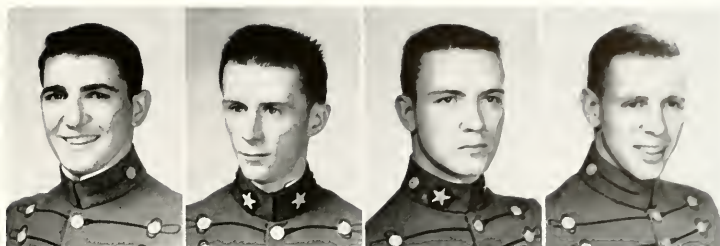


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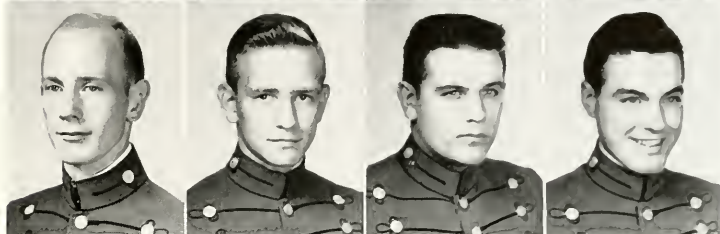


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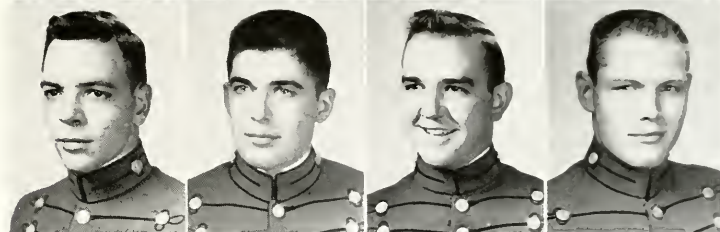


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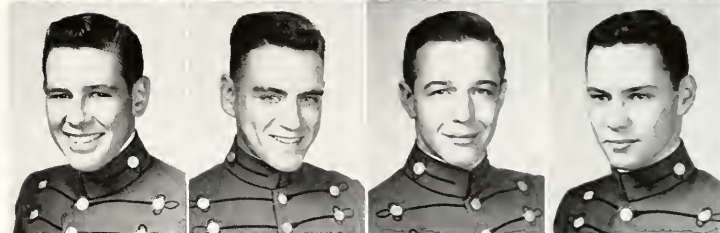


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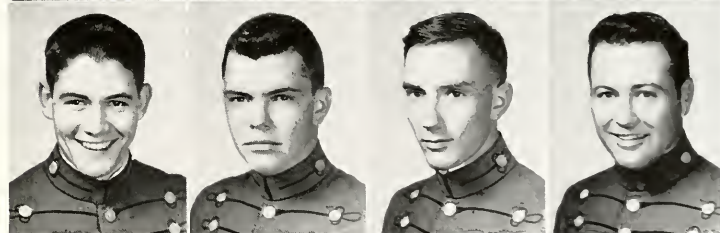


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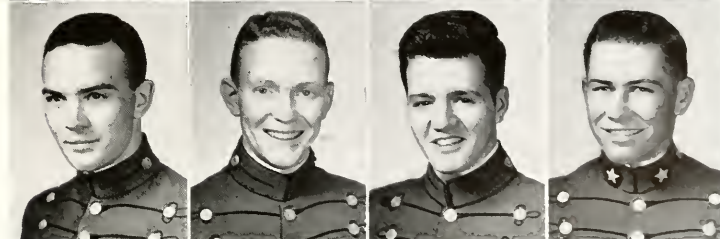


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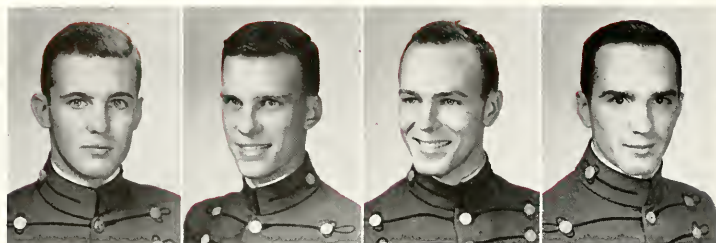
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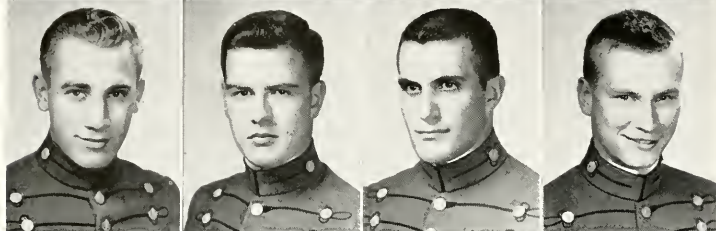


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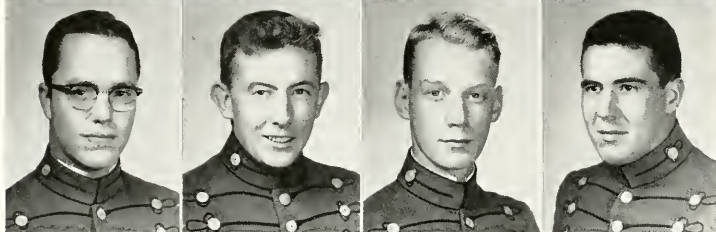


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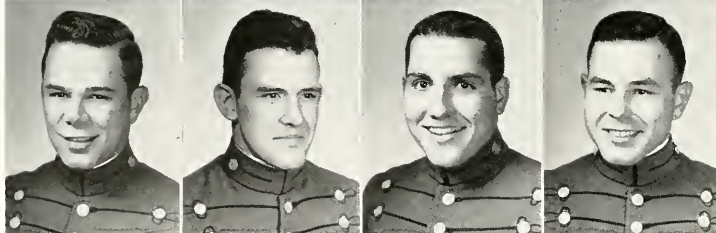


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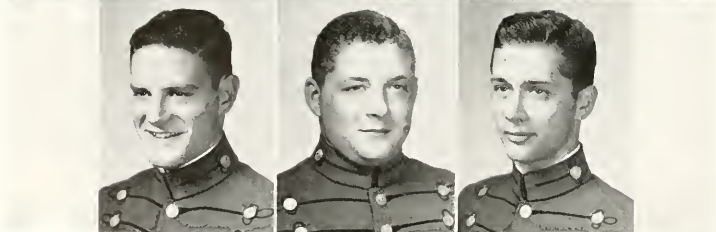


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"THE '56's HAVE A PARTY"

THIRD CLASS HISTORY

On September 9, 1953, a group of bewildered and perplexed young men stood at the threshold of a new and strange adventure, ready to embark on a four year voyage that would carry them from the depths of depression to the heights of ecstasy—we the Rats had arrived. Our part was simple and our task was well defined; for the next nine months we were to be the Rats at VMI. As Rats we stepped forward with chins in and shoulders down and back to face whatever hardships and discouragements the future might have in store for us.

The days were long and the weeks dragged by with unbelievable slowness. The discipline of the Rat Line was broken by the football games, cheer rallies, and torchlight parades, to which we all looked forward with great anticipation. At these events we began to feel that we were really a part of the corps and to realize the true meaning of the "Spirit of VMI."

We saw our Keydets have a very successful football season and consequently gain the state championship. We were let out of the Rat Line and temporarily released from its duties and restrictions after victories over Catawba, Virginia, and VPI.

The third class gave us our first resurrection just after Ring Figure; and then, only a few weeks later, Christmas furlough was at hand.

With sad hearts we returned to school after Christmas, ready to face the end of the first semester and mid-term exams. The corps trip to Richmond for the Governor's Inaugural Parade interrupted the brief period between Christmas and exams.

Mid term exams and Mid-Winter dances came and went, and before we knew it, Easter furlough was here.

Shortly after returning from Easter furlough we all gathered in Jackson Memorial Hall to elect our class officers, who would lead us through the next three years at VMI. We elected Russell Davis, class president; John Turley, vice president and Walter O'Donohue, historian.

"Bloody Sunday" came and passed, and suddenly we found ourselves in the last company room, struggling to break through the wall of upperclassmen who stood between us and the end of the Rat Line. It was on this eve of May 17, 1954, that VMI officially witnessed the advent of the Class of 1957.

At the class picnic we had our first opportunity to act together as a class and to enjoy the advantages of being "Old Cadets."

Finally, that long awaited last day of Finals arrived; and after the commencement exercises had been completed and the appointments of the various officers of the corps had been announced, each of us set out in his separate direction for summer furlough. There was a feeling of pride and satisfaction deep within each of us as we fleetingly glanced back at the gray walls of the Institute; such a satisfaction as comes only to those who have successfully weathered the storm of that first year at VMI. Yet even while the inner emotion was still aglow, there were thoughts of the coming year and the part that the Class of 1957 would play in the yet unwritten future.

Upon returning to school the next September, we found new responsibilities and obligations which presented a personal challenge to each of us. We found that the strict and impersonal enforcement of the Rat Line was our most pressing problem. Much time and thought was contributed to the improvement of the Rat Line and the Rat system. Our first resurrection took place in the latter part of October.

This year, as before, we witnessed the passing of the football season and all of the cheer rallies and torch light parades that accompany it.

We began at an early date to make our plans for Ring Figure, which was yet over one year away. Francis Sheild was chosen to head the committee to design our class ring, and Dave Dunn was chosen as our Ring Figure chairman.

We had a very successful party just after Thanksgiving, and then we anxiously looked forward to Christmas furlough.

It was not long before the joyous yuletide season was just a memory, and we were back at VMI, ready to begin mid-term exams. As soon as the examination period was over, we once more focused our full attention on the Rat Line and the many other problems which were at hand. We realized that soon it would be time to select our representatives to the honor court, who would represent our class and from whom would come a future president of the honor court. On February 15, 1955 we selected Jim Piggott, Harry Warner, and Dick Hunt to serve as members of the honor court from our class.

The remainder of the winter passed quickly and spring found us still energetically enforcing the Rat Line and striving to fulfill our obligations to VMI and to those who had gone before us.

When final exams had been completed and the graduation had drawn to a close, we once more looked forward to the future and to the coming year when we would be second classmen.



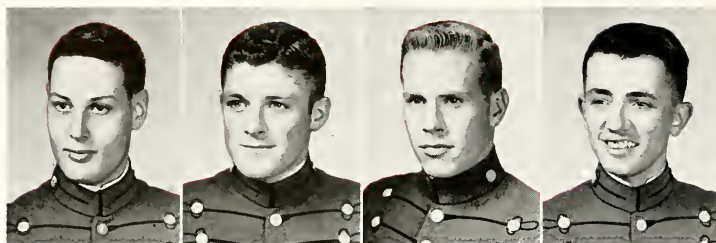
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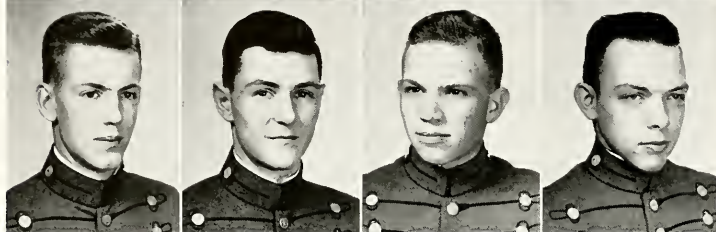


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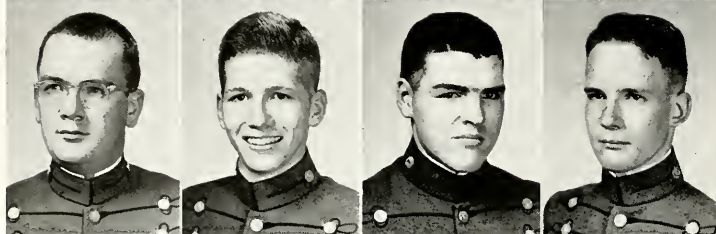


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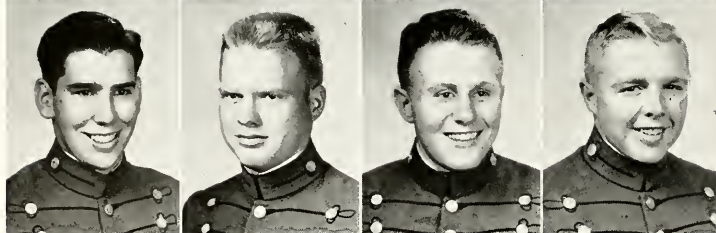


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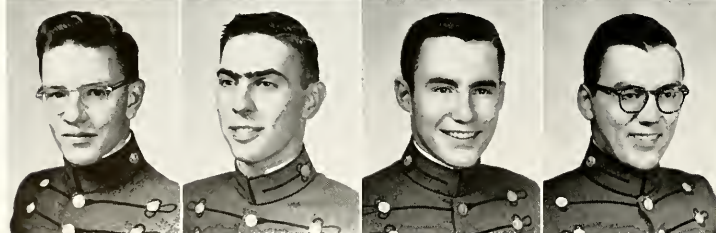


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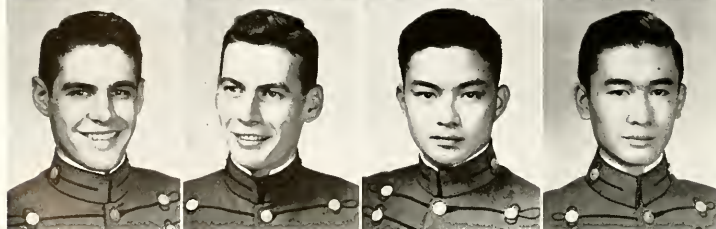


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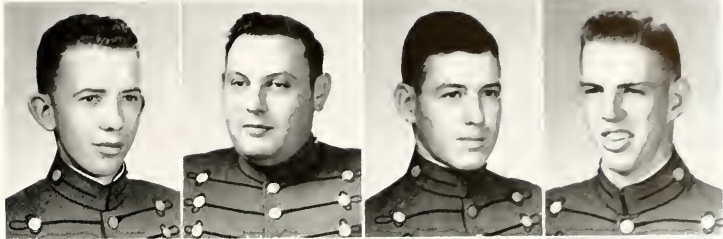


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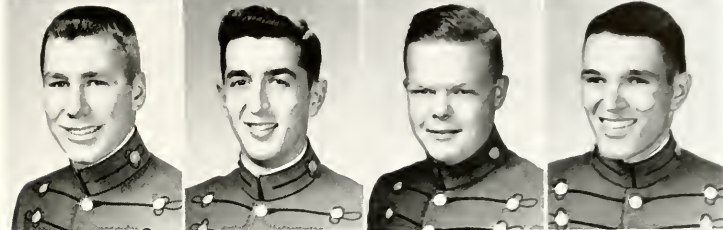


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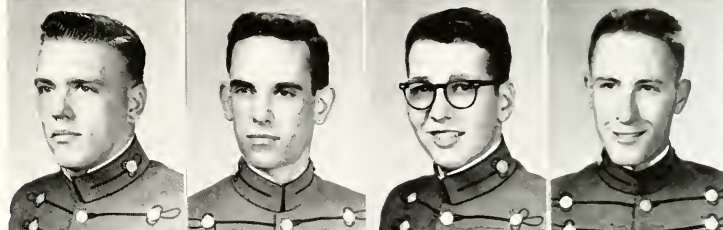


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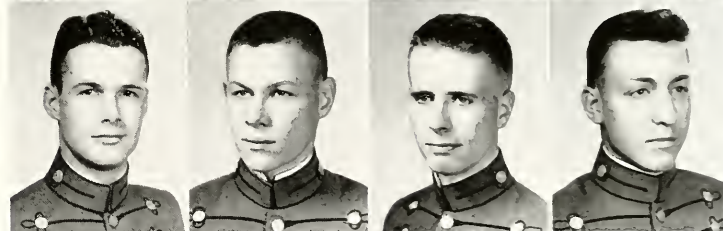


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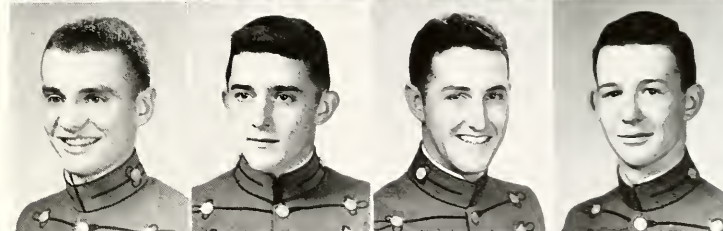


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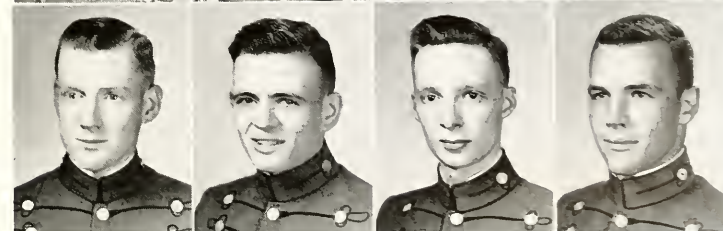
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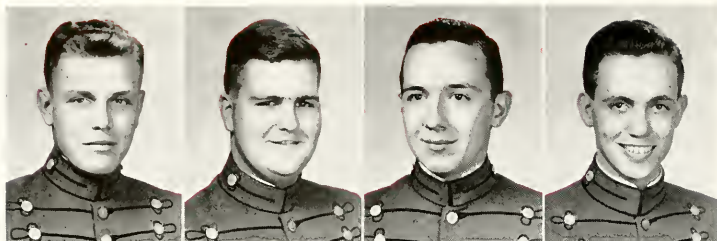
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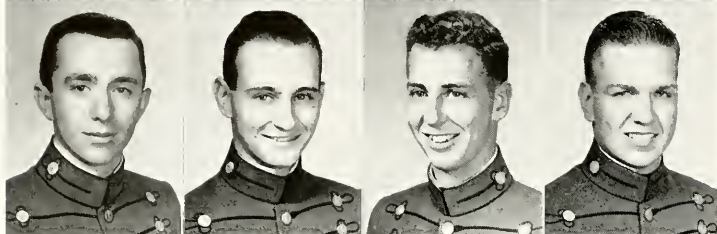


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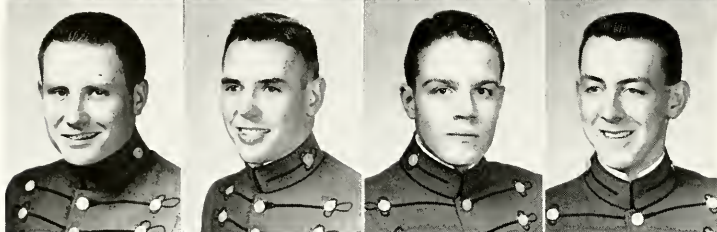


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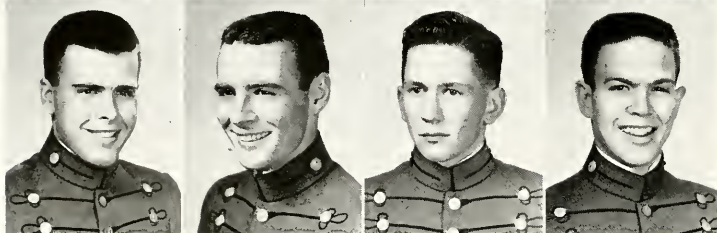


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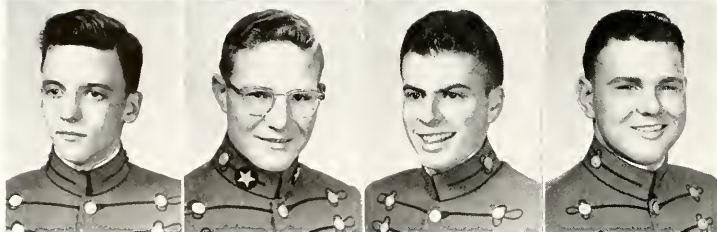


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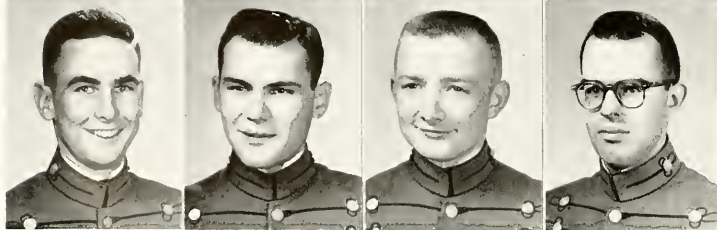


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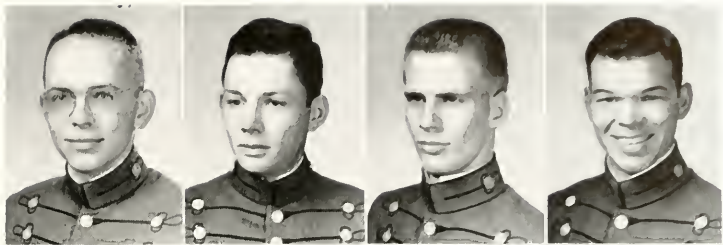


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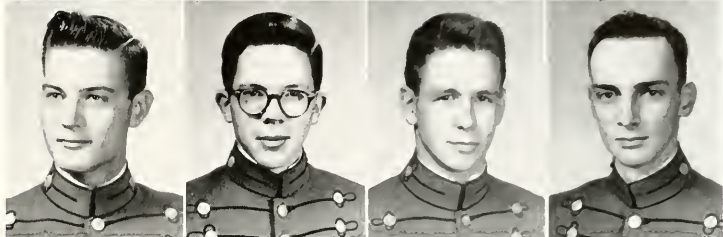


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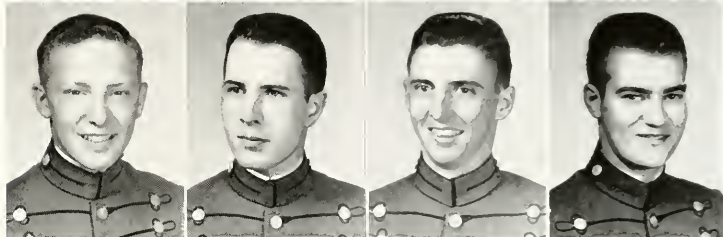


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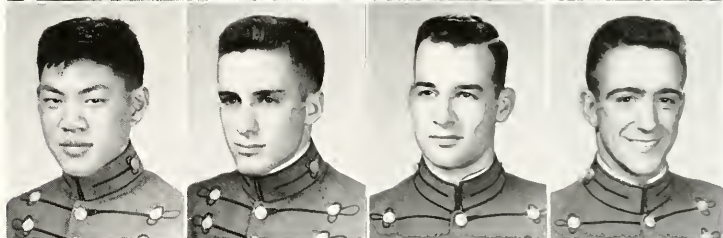


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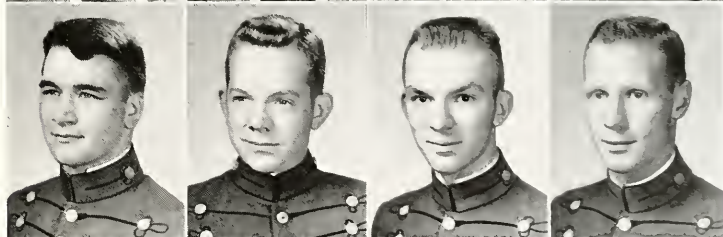


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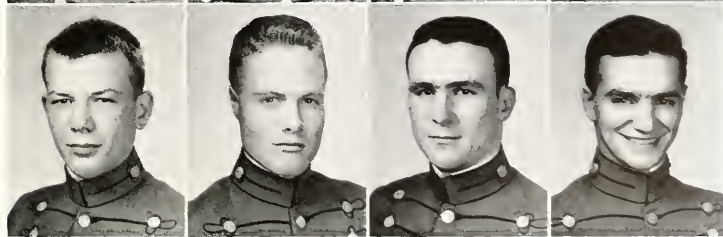


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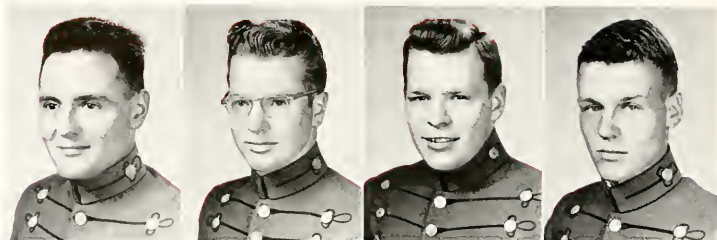
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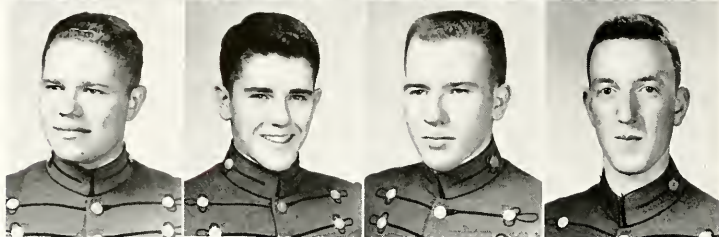


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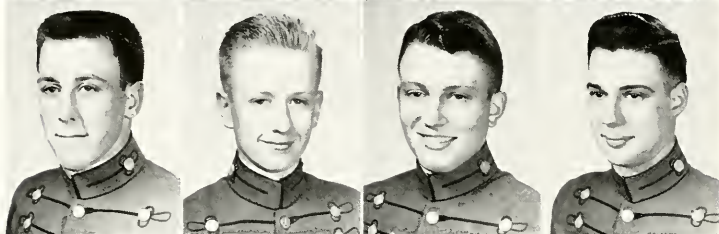


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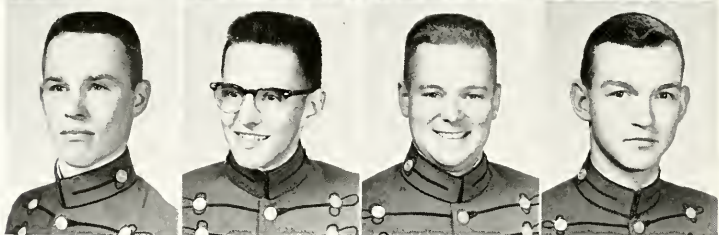


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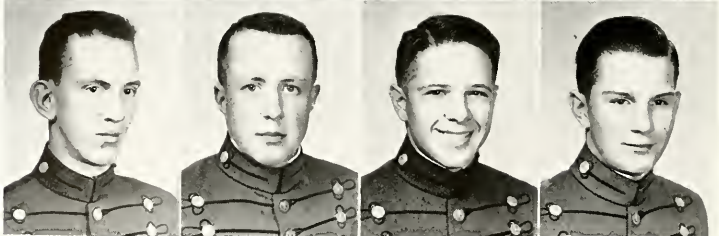


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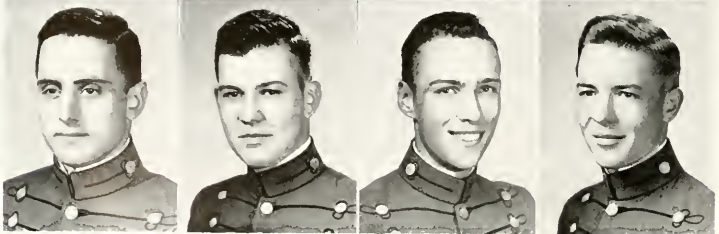


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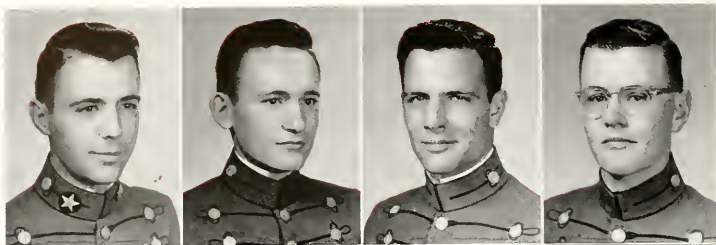
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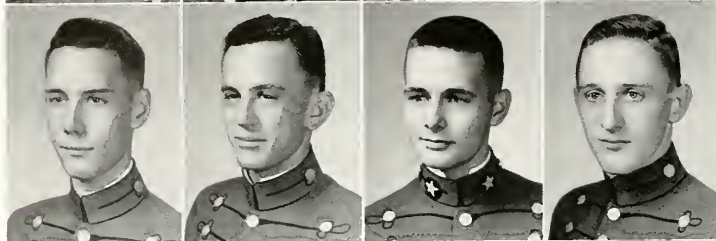


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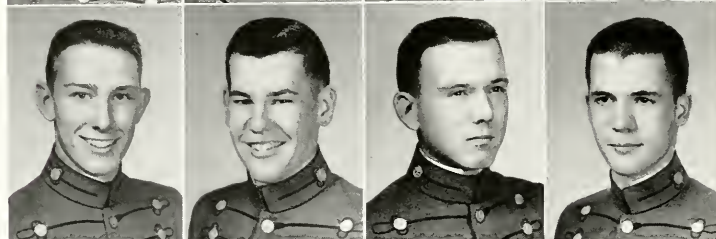


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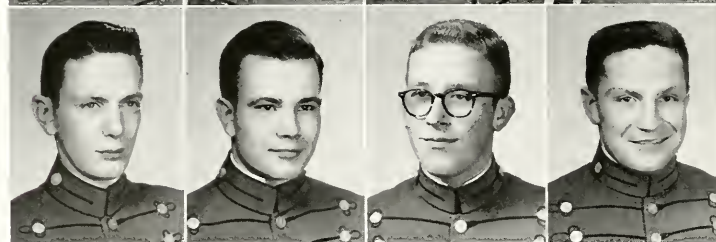


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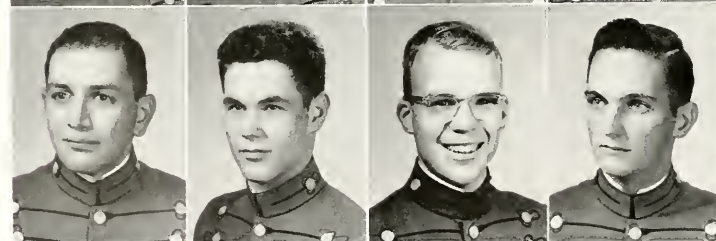


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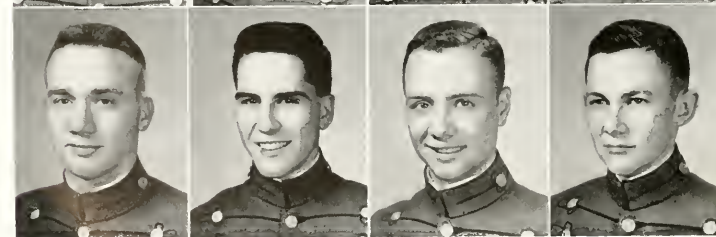


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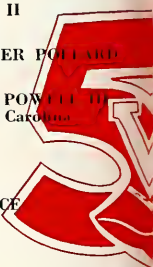


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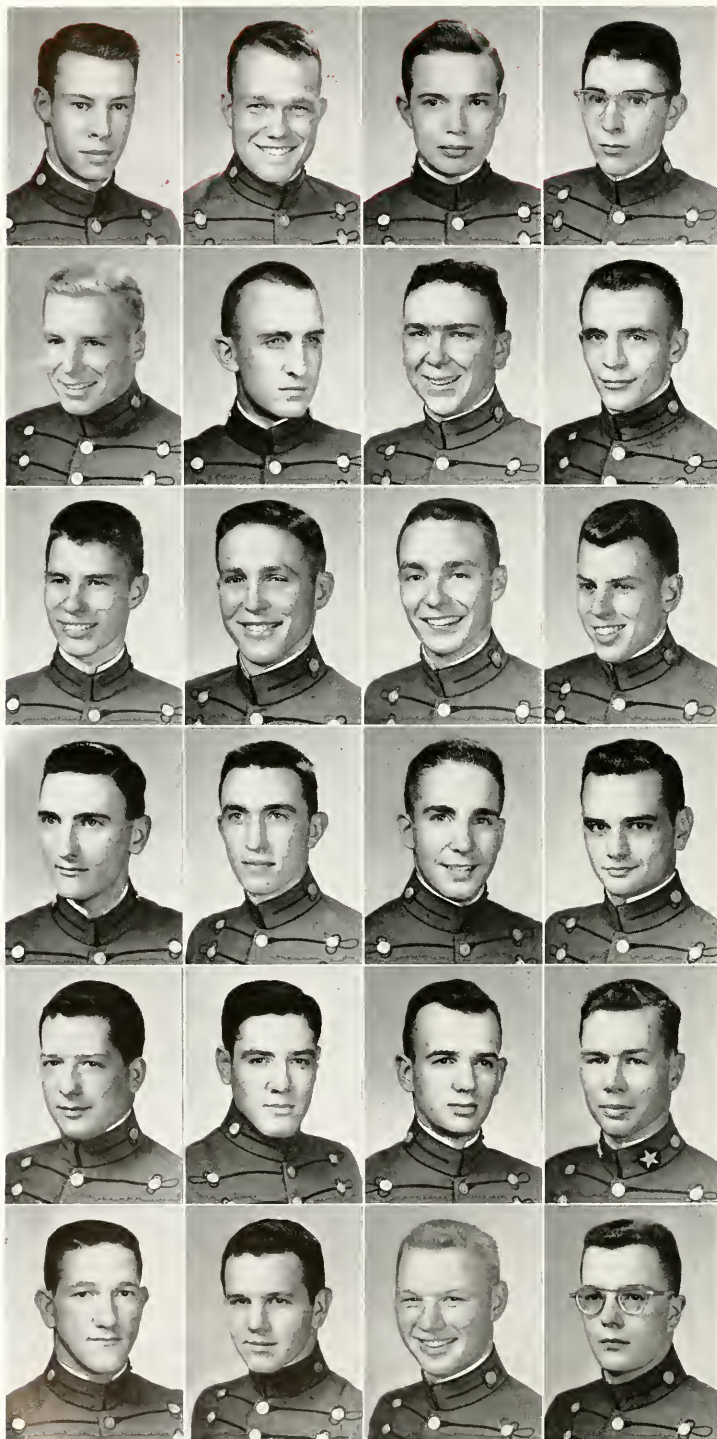
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FOURTH CLASS HISTORY

After signing on the dotted line in Jackson Arch, we gathered our bags and were led into barracks and into a new way of life, which would present to us many trials and tribulations in the days to follow. Our initial was spent in the drawing of supplies, drilling under the watchful eyes of the cadre, standing in endless lines, and listening to numerous indoctrination speeches of which we were slowly becoming a part. The novelty of the Rat Line soon wore off and with the coming of the "old cadets" we then learned that last word in discipline was "Sir." In addition to this military life class began and we were then affronted with the problem of budgeting our time in order to allow time for both. The days dragged and finally the first grading period ended. Our academic deficiencies and excess demerits showed us there was a lot of room for improvement.

The monotony of this daily routine and the constant pressure of the Rat Line was welcome relieved by the football season and Opening Hops. Knowing the rule of the Rat Line would be lifted temporarily when the Big Red Team won its first victory, we Rats showed more than the usual enthusiasm at the cheer rallies and games. A win over George Washington did the trick. We were out of the Rat Line for what seemed like an extremely short day. On the following Monday we pulled our chairs back and began counting the days to the next Corps trip. With the passing of the eventful Thanksgiving game and weekend, we could then visualize Christmas fur-
lough and being home for the holidays. Every evening march to the mess hall meant another

chorus of "Jingle Bells" and another day nearer to when we would leave. On December 2d we held our first "step off" as an anniversary celebration to the Class of 1955's renowned "step off" their Rat year. A lot of steam was let off, but the function was considered mild in comparison with those staged by the members of the "Old Corps." Christmas finally came but our two weeks of civilian life ended all too abruptly.

Upon return we new cadets experienced our first big exams at VMI. The completion of our first semester at the Institute marked the halfway point in our trying first year and gave renewed courage to those of us who had survived. A new term began and a new resurrection followed close on its heels. After three days of vigorous workouts on the stoops, we welcomed gladly the chance to be back in the Rat Line we had gradually become accustomed to.

The days grew longer and warmer, and evidences of spring were appearing everywhere. Once again we packed our bags and went our ways to a brief spring vacation. We were on the last lap now, and we put on white ducks, shakos, and more brass. This meant that Finals were on the way.

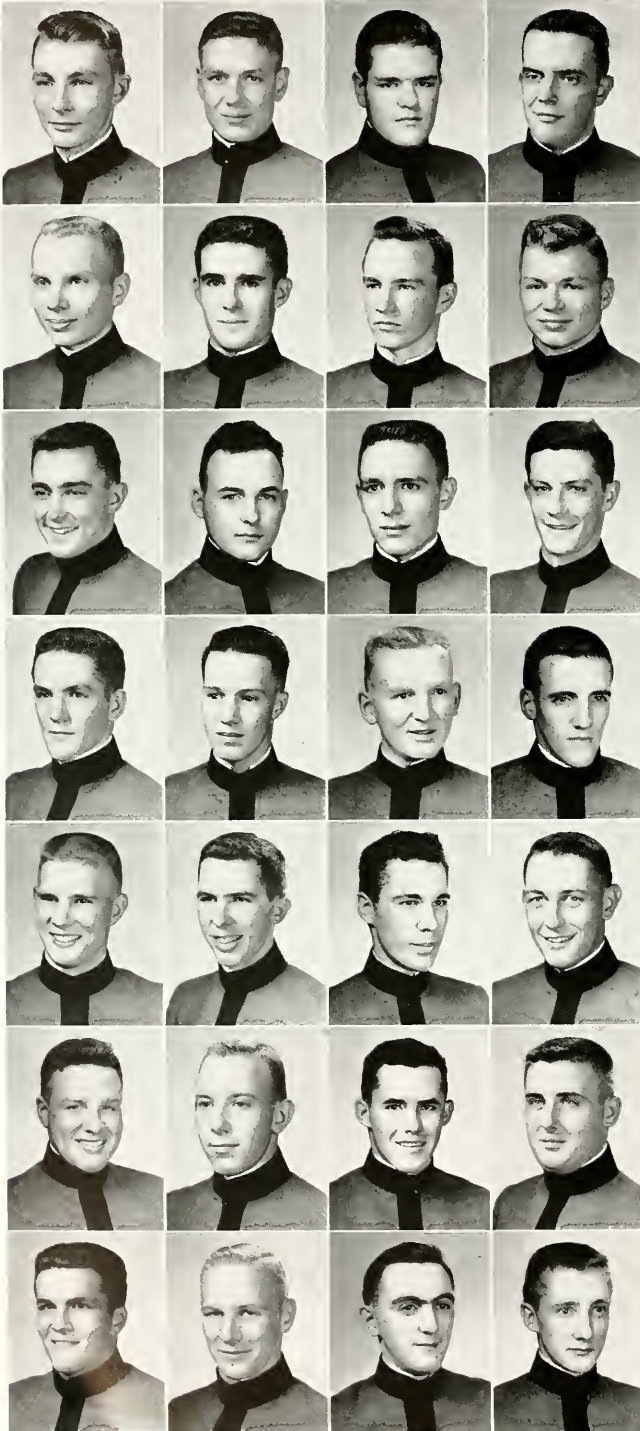
Then it came. The Rat Line ended, and we became the Class of 1958. Sitting at ease in the mess hall and getting our mail early were only a few of the privileges that we enjoyed. It slowly dawned on us that our year at VMI had not been spent in vain, and we had to assume the responsibility of upper classmen. School and our Rat year had ended, but our life at VMI had just begun.

YOU MAY BE WHATEVER YOU RESOLVE TO BE
STONEWALL JACKSON



Fourth Class

FOURTH CLASS



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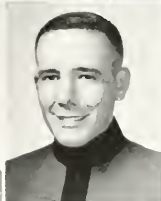
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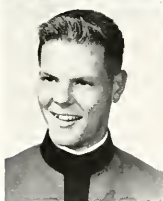
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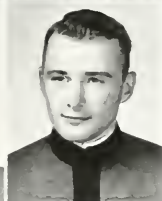
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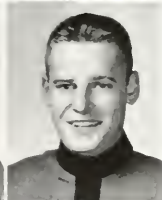
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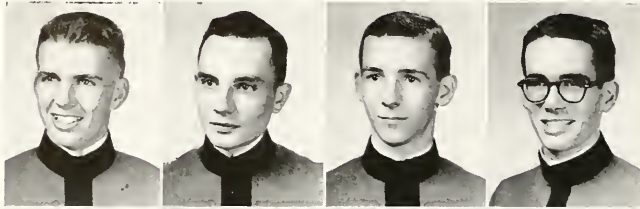


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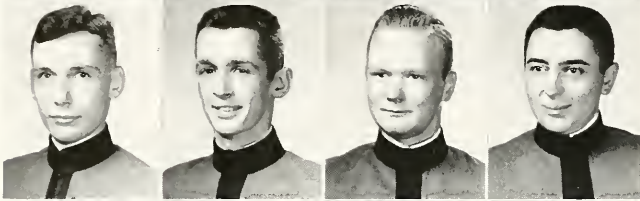


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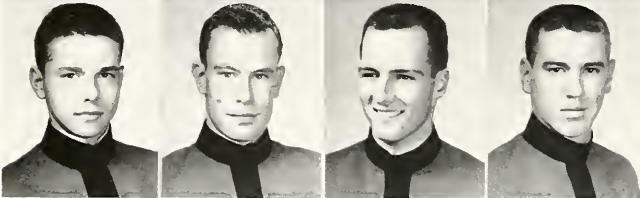
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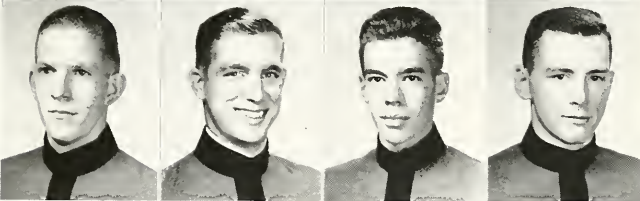
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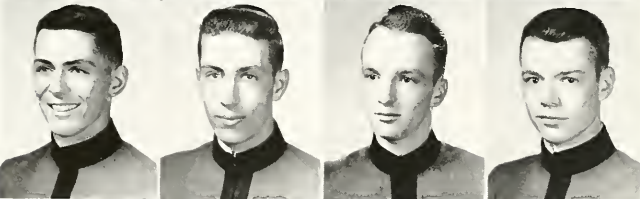
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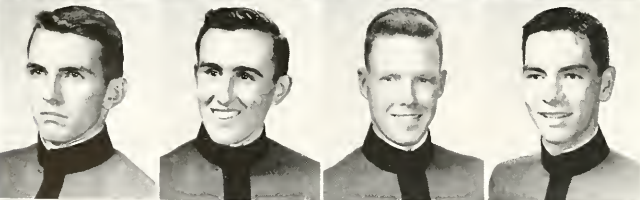
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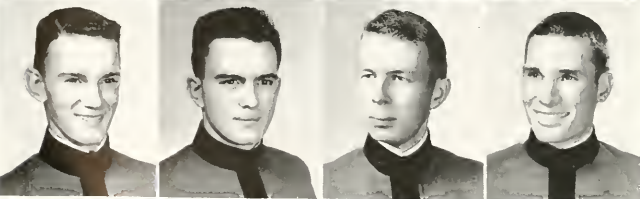
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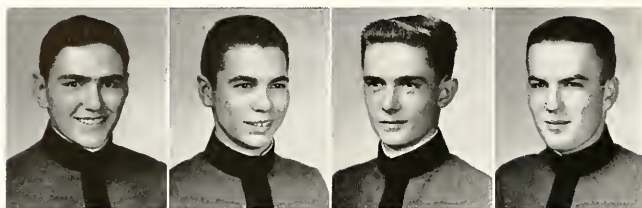
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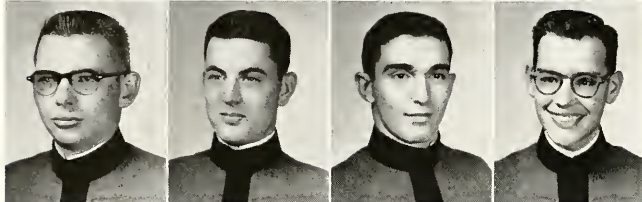


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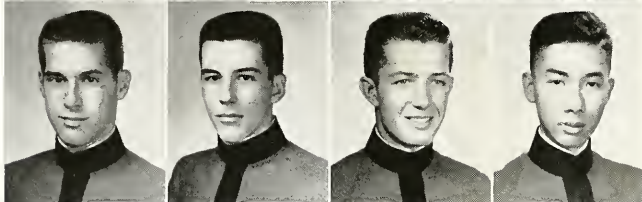


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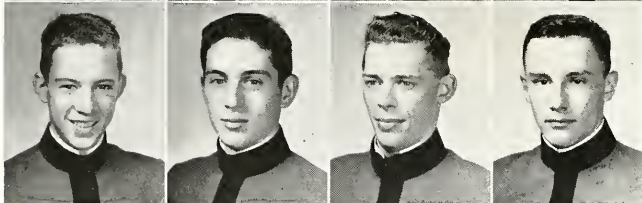
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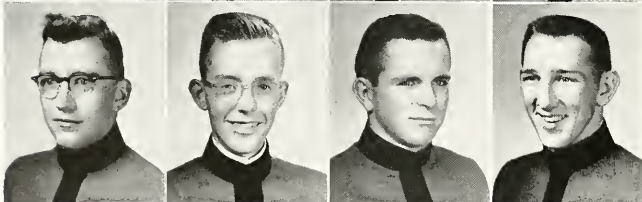


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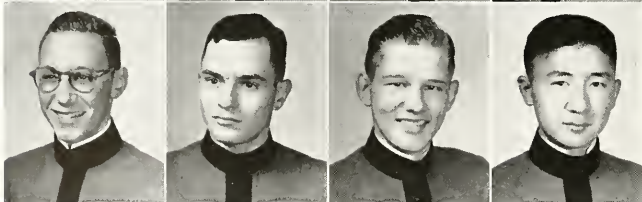


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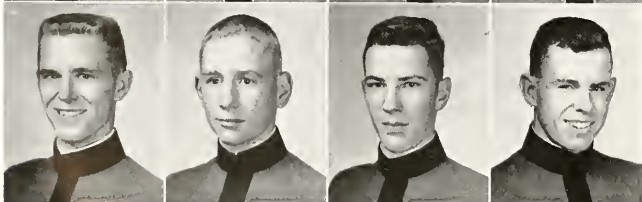


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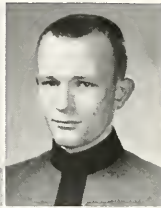
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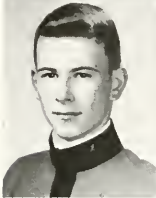
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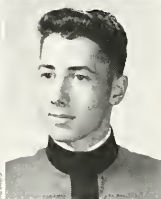
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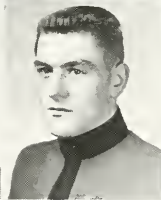
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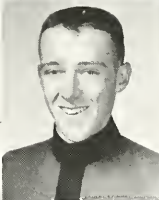
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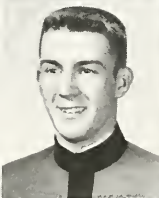
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The Athletics

VMI has not always had winning teams in the sports field, but no one can say that we have not had the most spirited. By determination and work, our athletes make themselves men that we can be proud of as symbols of what the VMI spirit is. Whether in minor or major sports our athletes have created an enviable record for sportsmanship and spirit.



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COLONEL MARION P. ECHOLS
Manager of Athletics

ATHLETIC COUNCIL

The Athletic Council governs the athletic policies of V. M. I. and is composed of six faculty representatives, and a chairman, three Alumni representatives and three Cadet representatives. This organization is burdened with the task of keeping V. M. I. athletics out of the red, and in good standing in intercollegiate athletics. The council has stressed an interest of the Cadet in intramural athletics, and is giving the so called minor sports, the position that they rightly deserve. The object of the V. M. I. Athletic Council is to promote a well rounded athletic program to the entire Corps of Cadets. Colonel K. S. Purdie, chairman of the committee, and Colonel Echols, Manager of Athletics, have effected many improvements in the Athletic administration, and financing.



Dick Fencel, Bill Green, Lt. Col. Lancaster, Col. Echols, Mr. Aubrey Foltz, Col. Morgan
David Woolwine, Col. Mann, Col. Purdie (Chairman), Col. Jamison, Lt. Col. Lipscomb



CHEERLEADERS

From l. to r.: Grayson Cordell, Carter Fox, Don Parsons, Mike Brown & "Moe", Carter Valentine (Head Cheerleader), Steve Rogero, Casey Jones, Joe Gray

V. M. I. MONOGRAM CLUB

Dave Woolwine brought the Monogram Club through another successful year, including the outstanding Monogram Club Minstrel Show on the night before Thanksgiving. The members of this club,

all bearing monograms in varsity sports, are bound together as each class by their own unforgettable Monogram Rat Line.

From l. to r., 1st Row: Tonkin, Cole, Sutherland, Serridio, Griffith, Boxley, Woolwine, Robertson, Foley, Morgan, McDowell, Graber, Bryan
2nd Row: Bourke, Valentine, Green, Moore, Mundy, Moss, Hoyt, Lamb, Hopkins, Willard, Collins, Thompson
3rd Row: Nyman, Jackson, Miller, Johnson, Dillard, Waring, Jones, McCrary, McDonald, Foster, Angle, Higginbotham

PROVD OF HER FAME AND READY IN EVERY TIME OF DEEPEST PERIL
TO VINDICATE HER HONOR OR DEFEND HER RIGHTS

COL J. T. L. PRESTON





HERB PATCHIN—Director of Physical Education, and trainer. Herb is one of the best trainers in the business and as any athlete will tell you, "If anybody can fix you, Herb can", and this is more often true than not. Yet the Corps, whether athlete or scholar, all come into contact with Herb and all come to know him as a man to be admired and respected for his ideals and advice, and for his unfailing judgment of personality. VMI teams will always be fortunate to have Herb there on the side lines to take care of their injuries.



BILL ROBERTS—The man to whom we owe our extensive Intramural program. Bill is the organizer, referee, and proponent of good sportsmanship that has produced in so many of our intramural players the quality of a varsity athlete. The wide participation offered to the entire Corps of Cadets in our Intramural program is largely due to the efforts of Bill Roberts.



TOM JOYNER—The man behind the newspaper articles that we read about our athletic teams. Tom is the man saddled with the job of publicizing VMI athletics. He is the man who has to write up the previews and summaries, keep each football, basketball, and all the other sports on the pages of the newspapers, so that we can have more and better boys interested in VMI, and keep our alumni well informed and up to date on what VMI athletics are doing.



THE COACHES

THE FOOTBALL STAFF—Head Coach John McKenna (in circle) finished his second season here this year, gaining even further respect and admiration from the V. M. I. folk. The Lawrence, Mass., native, who was an All-American choice at Villanova, has inherited a thin squad of youngsters but has certainly put the rebuilding program on the upswing. His teams have scored 9 wins against eleven losses in two seasons now, and six of the nine triumphs have been on upsets. Only once has his team lost when it was the favorite.

Clark King (upper left) handles the backfield coaching and also has freshman basketball and helps with the track squad. He's in his third year on the V. M. I. staff, coming here from Camp Lejeune, where he was an assistant coach and a top-notch end with the Marine grid machine. The husky Nebraska native, who played at Nebraska State Teachers College, is the Athletic department's "handy-man," helping out with just about any chores that come up.

Ed Kensler (upper right) is the line coach, and considered one of the brightest young coaching prospects in the business. He came to V. M. I. when

neighboring Washington and Lee de-emphasized its football having had three successful seasons there as line mentor. The Illinois native, who was an all-time great linebacker at Maryland, will return to his Alma Mater next season as line coach.

Chuck Noe (lower left) is primarily basketball and baseball coach, but the scrappy little hustler also helps with defensive backfield work and is a top-notch football scout until basketball practice starts in November. He's a valuable asset to any staff, and a strong student of football as well as all sports.

Walt Vannoy (lower right) now handles the line chores vacated by Kensler, having been moved up to the varsity staff. This past season, he coached the Rat squad, a more-than-frustrating job since freshmen were eligible for varsity play. This meant his squad was composed of those who couldn't make the varsity and left him with a serious manpower shortage when it came to meeting the other clubs. He's a former Army quarterback and did most of the punting for the Black Knights in the post-war grid-iron era which they nearly monopolized.



First Row, Left to Right: Thornton, Boxley, Lazarus, Serridio, Woolwine, Byrd, Morgan, Collins, Jones
 Second Row: Westfall, Fisher, Foster, Lyons, Dooley, Kress, Jordan, Moody, Lavery, Cooper
 Third Row: Armstrong, Barker, LeBourdais, Griffith, Foster, Johnson, J., Buzzelli, Dickenson, Bravner, McCabe, Swirk
 Fourth Row: Martin, Jarrett, Johnson, D., Hutchinson, Elmore, Eranusich, Witt, Miller, Janshego, Shepherd, Pickett, Vaughn
 Fifth Row: Sakakini, McKinnon, Reynolds, Coach King, Coach Kensler, Coach McKenna, Adams, Marsh, Paganelli

VARSITY FOOTBALL

SEASON RECORD 1954

V.M.I.	0	19	Davidson
V.M.I.	16	14	George Washington
V.M.I.	19	6	Univ. of Richmond
V.M.I.	0	44	Boston College
V.M.I.	0	21	Univ. of Virginia
V.M.I.	6	40	West Virginia Univ.
V.M.I.	19	33	Florida State
V.M.I.	21	0	William & Mary
V.M.I.	42	0	The Citadel
V.M.I.	9	35	V.P.I.



Charlie Byrd, Co-Captain

BUCK BOXLEY—This year's Co-Captain, as well as one of the fastest and most rugged guards VMI has seen in quite awhile. Buck liked the going rough, and was an excellent team man.



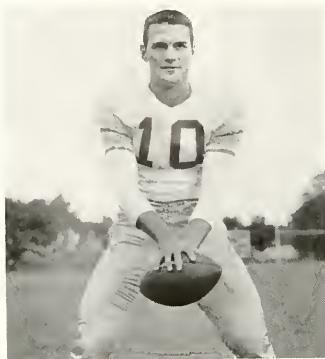
FRANK BOXLEY—A better than average fullback who could always get those extra few yards. Frank was a fast and powerful runner who combined his rough nature and speed to make him an adept defensive man as well as offensive.



CHARLIE BYRD—This year's Co-Captain of the Big Red has alternated from end to tackle, and has been a first string man since he entered the team in '51. Charlie was Co-Captain of the basketball team, and a second lieutenant in the Corps. This 6'5", 215-pounder will definitely be missed for his ruggedness as well as leadership.



RAY COLLINS—An Andover, Massachusetts, boy, who found a home down south. George spent three seasons as a halfback and then was shifted to end where he played his most outstanding ball. He was a better than average pass receiver, and an excellent blocker. George likes it best when it gets rough.



ROYCE JONES—A Hampton, Virginia, product who came to VMI as an end and extra point specialist and was converted to an outstanding quarterback. Royce's kick-offs and extra points will be missed when he takes leave of VMI.



CHIP LAZARUS—Chip came up from Roanoke and dug in to the rugged line play as a small man. In the past four years he has become one of the stand-bys as a rugged and hard-charging guard who played for all he was worth at all times.

JOHNNY MORGAN—Johnny was small for a guard, weighing only 185 lbs. However, he made up for this disadvantage in aggressiveness and desire. An All-State guard in 1954, he also made Southern Conference All-Scholastic Team. John was one of the better blockers on the squad.



NICK SERVIDIO—"Scrap Iron" as his opponents called him—and very justly so, was as rugged a fullback as VMI will see for quite some time. He had plenty of power and used it well on defense and offense. Nick will be remembered as we see No. 33 going through the line time and time again when that yardage was so desperately needed.



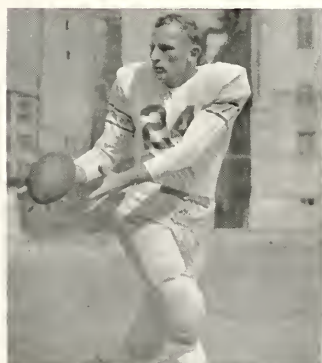
DAVE WOOLWINE—A four year varsity man, who was an outstanding defensive player his first year, and soon became a strong contender for the halfback slot. Dave spent his last two years as the Quarterback of the Big Red. He displayed passing, ball handling, and running abilities, along with a head for calling the right plays at the right time.



JIMBO THORNTON—A real hustler and called "The Rock" by his teammates. He was an outstanding defensive player and showed that he was an offensive player as well in the George Washington game this year. He liked that body contact.



MIKE FOLEY—Mike was the little man that never stopped running. How many times did the Corps see him go into a pile of tacklers and come out on the other side still digging? A small man with a fiery nature, and a jovial sense of humor. Mike has shown us all that it doesn't take size to be a good football player.



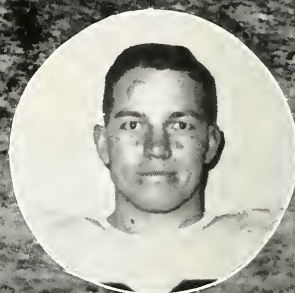
TROY CARTER—Troy was plagued by injuries during his four years, but when he was in the line-up he was a decided asset. He was a hard runner and a fast man for his size.



BILL MILLER



MIKE FOLEY



RAY COLLINS

Mike Foley takes Dave Woolwine's pass and scampers to the V. P. I. six yard line for the first long run and thriller of the 1954 Thanksgiving Classic.

Dale Vaughn drives for the goal line as Tom Dooley leads interference in the Citadel game on Wilson Field, Homecoming Day.



TOM DOOLEY

DALE VAUGHN

DAVE WOOLWINE



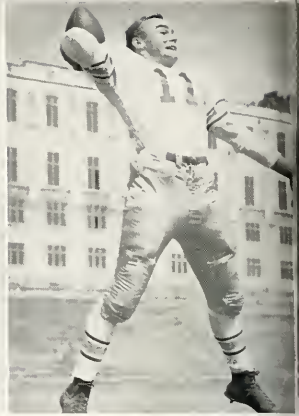
Johnny Johnson



Dick Lyons



Charlie Lavery



Dick Fencel

Davidson, 1st Game

Johnny Mapp was gone . . . gone but not forgotten. Last year he had been the "fair haired boy" in state football. He had ranked second in the nation in scoring with an overwhelming total of 72 points. There was a general consensus around football circles that VMI would not be able to recover from the loss of Mapp.

On September 18, all eyes were on the 1954 edition of the Big Red when they took the field against Davidson at Wilson Field for the opening game of the season. The favored Keydets were off in a rush with Nick Servidio and Dave Woolwine operating smoothly. Consistently during the first quarter VMI moved inside the Davidson 20 yard line. The tide of battle changed abruptly. The Keydets moved to the Wildcat 3, but a 15 yard penalty was forthcoming on the next play. That was our first and last scoring opportunity.

Davidson then began to roll and the game ended with the visitors leaving the field 19-0 victors. The typical remark that evening was, "They miss Mapp."

George Washington, 2nd Game

The next week end the Corps followed the team to Alexandria for the George Washington game. Virginia Military's Keydets had not been too sharp against Davidson and now they had to prove themselves against a very strong G. W. team.

It did not take long to see this was an evenly matched game . . . one team boasted brawn, the other spirit. Near the end of the first period VMI recovered a fumble in G. W. territory and scored on a beautiful pass play engineered by Woolwine who hit Ray Collins for the score.

By the end of the first half G. W. had tied the score 7-7. The Colonials hit pay dirt first in the second half on a grinding 37 yard march and that closed the door on Colonial scoring for the afternoon. Early in the fourth quarter the Big Red took the ball on their own twenty

and moved 80 yards to tie the score at 14-14. This march featured the running of Lavery, Thornton, Servidio and Woolwine with Charlie Lavery taking the 'skin' over for the score.

The rest of the game saw the teams thumping helmets all over the field. As the quarter drew to a close the teams seemed headed for a certain tie. The Colonials had the ball on their own 3 yard line with 2 seconds remaining. Two seconds later the Keydets had won 16-14. The G. W. quarterback had dropped back to pass as the final gun went off. Nearly the entire Keydet line trapped him in the end zone for a safety and in doing so, provided the crowd with a thrill to be remembered. It brought a roaring mass of gray out of the stands to carry the team off the field. The Keydets had proven they could win without Johnny Mapp and did it with a dramatic "team" victory.

Richmond, 3rd Game

In the next game, played in Richmond against U. R., Coach McKenna took the wraps off second string quarterback Royce Jones. The Hampton lad, substituting for the injured Woolwine, turned in a superb performance as VMI measured the highly regarded Spiders 19-6. It was Jones' masterminding and the piston-like legs of Lavery, Vangtin, Foley and Servidio that spelled doom for the home team.

With Johnny Morgan leading the way, the Keydets displayed an air tight defense for the second straight week. While the line was furnishing the "rock wall," Jones engineered all three Keydet touchdown drives. The Spiders, who went into the game leading the nation in defense, saw 233 yards recorded against them. Richmond found the tables were turned on defense . . . they were in danger of being shut-out until the last two minutes of play, when they managed to push over their only score.

The Big Red had two smashing "team" victories in a row under their belts and all eyes turned to New England and Boston College.

A Wm. & Mary pass bites the dust



Nick drives hard against Davidson





The line play that won the Wm. & Mary Game



Dave scampers the side line against West Virginia

Boston College, 4th Game

The scene of battle was Boston's Fenway Park. The day was cold and dreary and so were the Keydets . . . They faced the Boston College Eagles and lost, 44-0. The Keydets had tasted defeat at the hands of a team that had too much of everything.

From the first kickoff it was Boston College all the way. Their giant line opened gaping holes in the small Virginia team's forward wall, allowing their flashy backs nearly unlimited freedom of the field. The Big Red was "over-matched" but this did not dissolve their fighting spirit. The underdogs drove inside the B. C. 10 yard stripe twice during the afternoon, but were unable to muster the added power to crack the huge wall of flesh that faced them. As proof of the B. C. defense, the Keydets failed to gain an inch via the air and they managed only 99 yards on the ground.

The trip north had been fruitless, but it taught the men of VMI the meaning of manpower, in the raw sense of the word.

University of Virginia, 5th Game

A fine homecoming crowd of 17,000 witnessed the next Keydet game in the University of Virginia's Scott Stadium. The Big Red offense, completely stymied the week before, never really got started and VMI tasted defeat without scoring a point for the second week in a row. The final score read 21-0.

In the final analysis it was the big Wahoo line that brought VMI its third defeat of the season. Time and again it was the booming foot of Bobby Jordan, the Keydet's brilliant punter that kept the Cavaliers away from touchdown's door. Jordan, with his lofty kicks, showed the customers why he was rated one of the nation's leading performers in that department.

Virginia scored twice in the second quarter and then had to wait until the final period to push over an insurance tally. The Big Red, in the meantime, failed to

penetrate the Wahoo 35 yard line. The VMI lads played tough, head-up game but the Boston College battering, plus a huge Virginia weight advance, added up to defeat.

West Virginia, 6th Game

On the 25th of October, the Keydets traveled to Blue-field, West Virginia, for the fourth annual Coal Bowl game with the Mountaineers. The Big Red left barracks in high hopes of coming through with a win against the team ranked tenth in the nation, but victory was not forthcoming. The bowl-minded Mountaineers scored two quick touchdowns and then alternated the first, second and third string teams the rest of the way to a 10-6 win.

The game, however, was not as one-sided as the score indicated. VMI had 18 first downs, only three short of the mark set by West Virginia. In fact, most of the Mountaineers scores came on long runs through holes opened by a line that had a 25-pound weight advantage per man. This line was also able to hold off numerous Keydet touchdown drives.

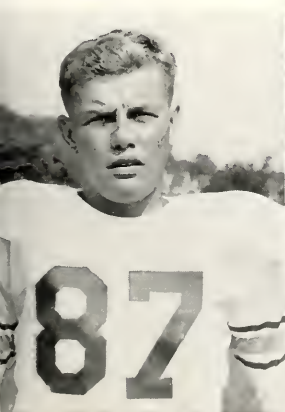
In short, it was another weekend of "too much and too many." Nick Servidio played his usual "crushing" role on defense. Big Nick also picked up 65 yards in 14 tries to lead the Keydets in the ground gaining department.

Florida State University, 7th Game

The Big Red was right back the next week end trying to break their losing streak against Tom Nugent's Florida State team. The Corps was with the Keydets in Lynchburg for this one and the troops were in store for a slam-bang affair that produced passing and pass receiving of a very weird variety.

Twice the Seminole quarterback was trapped behind in his backfield about to be brought down only to get off a desperation pass that found its wobbly mark for a touchdown. The Keydets played a beautiful game, matching the Florida team point for point with a well balanced passing and running game.

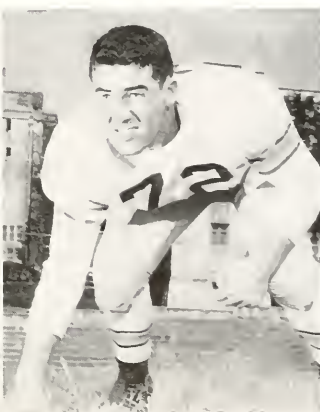
Billy Elmore



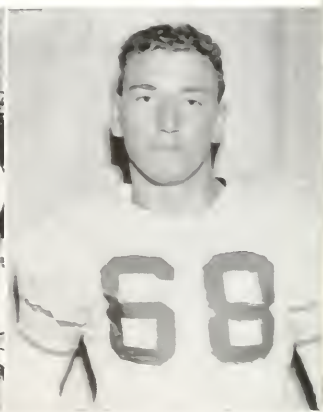
Joe Moody



Lake Westfall



Carl LeBourdais





Before the Corps had taken their seats on the following kickoff, the Keydets had scored again. This time it came on a pass interception by Center Dick Lyons and a beautiful Woolwine pass to Tom Dooley. Dave again converted and the scoreboard read VMI 14, W&M 0. The rest of the half found the Big Red exhibiting a devastating defense.

The third quarter was played on even terms. The final score of the afternoon came early in the fourth quarter. An unsuccessful fourth down play on the part of W&M gave the Keydets first down on their own 12. Fifteen plays later the Lexington lads had their final TD. This march of 88 yards had featured a pile-driving line, something the team was not supposed to have. The final score read 21-0.

It was a typical team victory for the Keydets and it told the world we had not conceded the Big Six Crown to VPI, not by a long shot.

Citadel, 9th Game

Sporting a 21-0 victory over the W&M Indians, the Keydets were now ready for their tune-up with the Citadel played at Wilson Field in Lexington. A number of weeks before some players on one of the teams VMI had faced had been quoted as saying "The Citadel has a better team than VMI." If only those players could have been

With the score tied 13-13, the Seminoles pulled two "unusual" pass plays in which the ball was handled like a hot potato. Both passes of 55 and 45 yards went for touchdowns. Florida State finally went on to win 33-19, but a look at the statistics will show the game was purely a matter of two lucky passes. The Keydets amassed a total of 18 first downs to State's 8 and they gained 407 yards to State's 312.

Mike Foley, the Keydets' little speedster, was truly the game's outstanding performer. The Hopewell cadet picked up 129 of Virginia Military's 213 yards gained on the ground.

William & Mary, 8th Game

The Big Red had absorbed four straight defeats; this was the Saturday that would tell the Big Six story as far as VMI was concerned. Should the Keydets beat William and Mary and then go on to take VPI, they would repeat as state champions.

So on this 6th day of November, the VMI cadets were in Roanoke, ready to take on the W&M Indians, a team that had just tied undefeated Hokies. The Keydets lost little time in showing the 12,000 spectators they were still the state champions. An Indian fumble with less than 4 minutes of the game in the books set up the first VMI score. Dave Woolwine and company took the ball 46 yards, with Mike Foley taking it over. Woolwine converted and VMI lead 7-0.



at Wilson Field on the 15th of November. The Big Red did everything this side of a "hat trick" as they swamped the Citadel Bulldogs 42-0.

It was Dave Woolwine's beautiful ball handling and passing, matched with the bone jarring play of the forward wall that overwhelmed the hapless Cadets from South Carolina. It would be impossible to describe here the merits of all those concerned with this victory. The game proved to be the peak of the Big Red's defensive perfection. They limited the Citadel to a total of 52 yards gained while picking up 451 yards of their own!

The VPI tune-up had been successful and now the Corps was waiting for a crack at those Hokies come Thanksgiving.

V. P. I., 10th Game

Thanksgiving Day finally arrived and with it came the State's most spectacular game . . . the annual VMI-VPI classic in Roanoke. The experts had made undefeated Tech heavy favorites and with good reason. They were completing one of the finest seasons in their history.

On the opening play of the game, Mike Foley went off right tackle and romped 70 yards to the Tech 4 yard line. The Cobblers dug in and displayed their vaunted defense by preventing what seemed to be a certain TD. Foley's run, however, had given VMI the initiative and the Red, White and Yellow



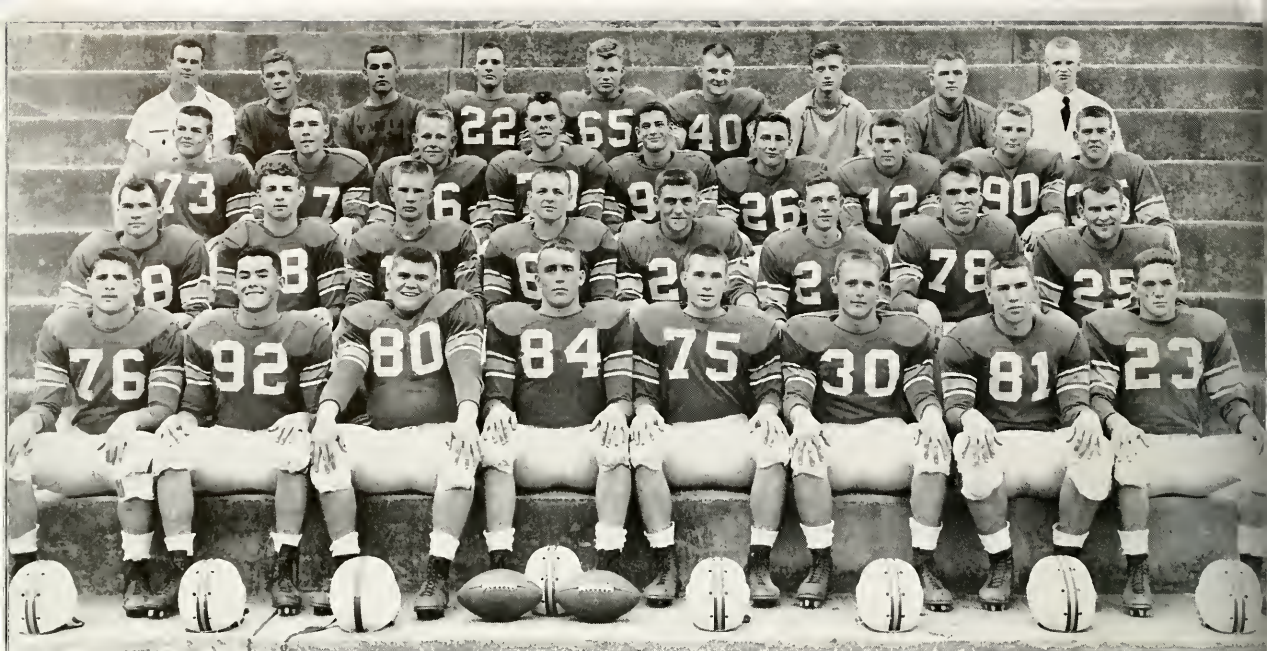
soon moved in front 2-0 on a safety. The points came when a Tech safety man was trapped behind the goal line trying to return one of Jordan's booming punts.

Tech then began to click and they moved in front 14-2 on a long pass followed by a sustained drive. The Keydets were visibly shaken with anger and they wasted no time in starting their own drive which ended with a short scoring pass, Woolwine to Vaughn. The scoreboard read 14-9 and that closed out the Big Reds offensive excursions for the afternoon. A few seconds before the half ended, Divers of VPI intercepted a Woolwine pass and raced 42 yards to score. That play was a tip-off to the second half.

Before the crowd had settled in their seats for the third quarter, Tech had scored three times and the game was then all VPI. When the final gun sounded, Tech was victorious 46-9. Superior depth had been the deciding factor. The Keydet first string had played Tech off their feet in the first quarter, but the terrific pace had to take its toll.

A surprising picture can be seen in the statistics. VMI had 14 first downs to Tech's 10 and the difference in total yardage was only 66 yards. It had been a game of long runs and VPI had engineered the majority of them.

So the door closed another season with its ups and its downs; its frustrations and its smiles . . . This season is now a page in a record book, but the spirit lives on.



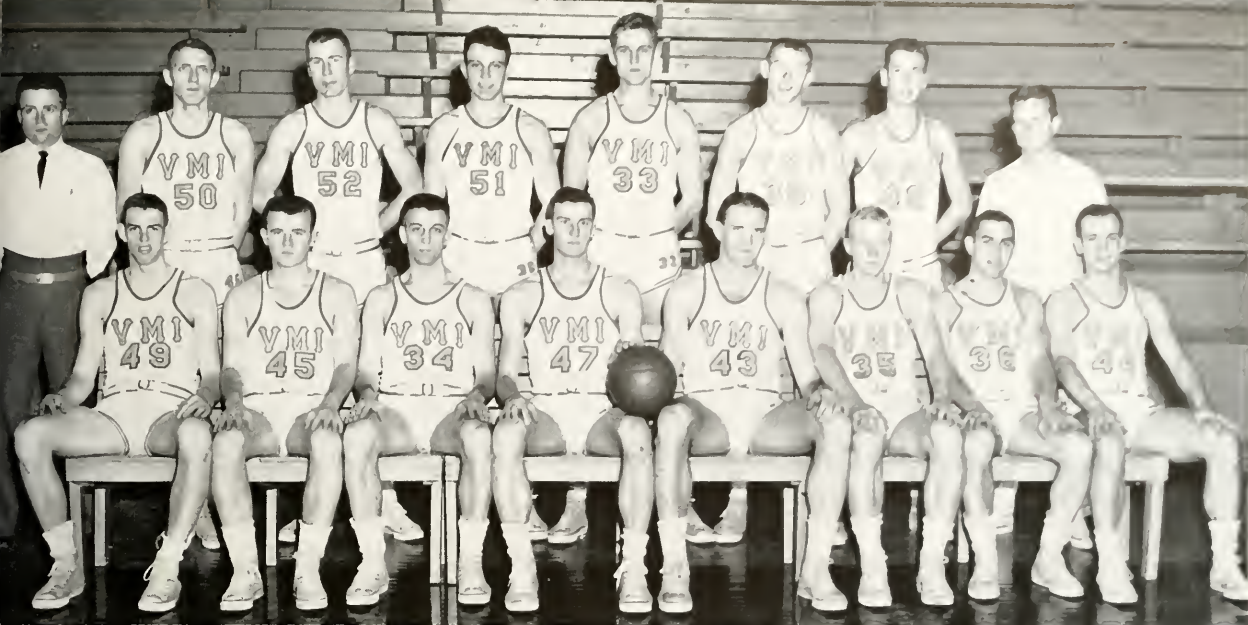
RAT FOOTBALL

First Row, L. to R.: Schmidt, Buckland, Doggett, Woodman, Holland, Tarrant, Green, Blankinship
 Second Row, L. to R.: Fields, Kuup, Bowen, Wines, Spurrier, Johnson, Hernley, Hutchinson
 Third Row, L. to R.: Russell, Cunningham, Whitaker, Farmer, Schlossberg, Noeltner, Dunavant, Dean, Wooten
 Fourth Row, L. to R.: Coach Vannoy, Mgr. Armstrong, Mgr. Snyder, Dunn, Bell, Day, Mgr. Jones, Mgr. Kays, Smith

RAT BASKETBALL

First Row, L. to R.: Gandolfo, Blankinship, Kump, Buckland, Jordan, Williamson, Bowen
 Second Row, L. to R.: Coach King, Noeltner, West, Saunders, MacLeod, Arthur, Sullivan, Mgr. Donuer





First Row, L. to R.: Coombs, Muldowney, Nyman, McDowell, Byrd, McKemie, Snyder, Walter
Second Row, L. to R.: Mgr. Moltz, Lowe, Coupland, Kyle, Tait, Williamson, Fiske, Coach Noe

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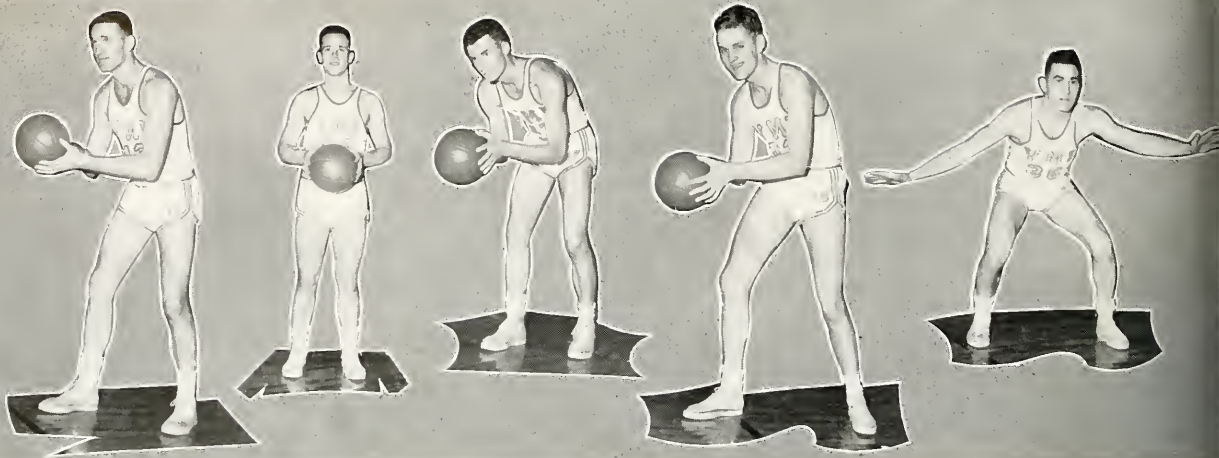
1954-55 BASKETBALL RESULTS

V.M.I.	83	Hampden-Sydney	74
V.M.I.	83	Lynchburg College	61
V.M.I.	46	Tennessee	78
V.M.I.	62	East Tennessee State	83
V.M.I.	74	Richmond	94
V.M.I.	84	Virginia	106
V.M.I.	52	George Washington	104
V.M.I.	87	Richmond Prof. Inst.	64
V.M.I.	59	West Virginia	71
V.M.I.	72	Virginia	87
V.M.I.	66	Hampden-Sydney	58
V.M.I.	65	Davidson	68
V.M.I.	78	The Citadel	59
V.M.I.	54	Richmond	78
V.M.I.	68	William and Mary	89
V.M.I.	76	Virginia Tech	74
V.M.I.	74	West Virginia Tech	119
V.M.I.	70	Virginia Tech	78
V.M.I.	68	William and Mary	88
V.M.I.	77	West Virginia	101
V.M.I.	88	The Citadel	62
V.M.I.	73	Davidson	52
V.M.I.	66	West Virginia*	72



Coach Noe and Co-Captains McDowell and Byrd

*Southern Conference Tournament



Charlie Byrd

Frank Walter

John McDowell

Tom Tait

Buz Snyder

With the three top scorers from the previous season graduated, the Keydet basketballers this year found themselves at the very embryonic stages of a rebuilding program. Two freshmen, a sophomore, a junior and one lonely first classman provided the starting lineup. It was one of the most youthful squads the Institute ever fielded.

After a slow start, the Keydets began a methodical improvement which finished at the Conference Tournament with a six-point loss in a thriller, bowing to the champions of West Virginia. "Hot-Rod" Hundley and Co., of the Mountaineer State, had beaten the V. M. I. clan twice in the regular season without too much trouble. By tourney time, however, Coach Chuck Noe's lads had matured immeasurably.

Next year's outlook offers the top three scorers from this season returning a year older and a year better.

Top scorers were a pair of Kentucky freshmen, Bobby Williamson and Jim Lowe. Williamson, from Bowling Green, had 280 points for a 12.2 average and Lowe, from the Blue-Grass country of Buachtel, scored 271. It was the first time a Rat ever led the

varsity scorers, and to add to it, there were two of them. Williamson also shot from the floor at a 46-per-cent clip, one of the finest in the Conference, and averaged 13.7 rebounds a game.

Senior Frank Walter was the steady influence among the youthful starting five, and averaged a respectable 37 per cent on field goals from his guard position. The scrappy set-shot artist also led the team in free throw percentage, hitting in 82 per cent of his tries.

Co-Captains Charlie Byrd and John McDowell, both handicapped by late starts, provided depth at the forward posts and will be sorely missed in future campaigns. Byrd was late in joining the squad because of football and McDowell was held back with a knee operation.

Reserve center Tom Tait and guard Buzz Snyder also saw their final action with the Big Red. Tait will be graduated and Snyder's eligibility simply runs out.

Returning for next year, besides Williamson and Lowe, will be guard Don Nyman and forward Bill Conpland. Nyman, a playmaker and defensive man supreme (who stole the ball from "Hot-Rod" Hund-

Tait rebounds better than Richmond

Williamson and Lowe set for the rebound





Nyman shoots against R. P. I.



A lay-up for McDowell



Lowe pushes one in

ley twice in the Conference tourney) will be the lone senior in the starting five in '55-'56. Coupland, a third classman this time who didn't become eligible until mid-season averaged 13.5 points for the 11 games he played. He's a top backboard man, too.

Behind this foursome will be several other promising prospects who were just freshmen and sophomores this season.

This year's story was the same week after week. The team looked very good in its first-half play against everybody it met, but faltered in the final quarters, usually howing to superior depth from the opposition. After wearing out our starting five, the foes then inserted fresh teams of good shooters to run away from us. The depth problem should be somewhat cured next season with so many returnees on hand but there will still be a shortage of experienced hands behind the first five.

In order, Richmond, Virginia, Tennessee, West Virginia, Davidson, William and Mary and Virginia Tech took fourth-quarter decisions from the young Keydets. The only teams we beat in the fourth quarter were Davidson and Hampden-Sydney once apiece. The rest of the victories were one-sided in

our favor.

A berth in the Southern Conference Tournament looked doubtful for most of the season, but the rapidly-improving Keydets finished strong to edge V. P. I. for eighth place. It started with a two-point win over Tech, followed by victories over The Citadel and Davidson to lock up the tournament spot.

It was the first time ever for a Southern Conference Basketball tournament in Richmond, and the City's new Arena was jam-packed for every session. The Keydets, being eighth in the league, had the dubious distinction of opening tourney play by meeting West Virginia, winners of regular-season first place. After disposing of V. M. I., the Mountaineers went on to take the tournament over favored George Washington. They had almost as much trouble with the Keydets as they did the Colonials, however, with the scrappy V. M. I. men pulling to within two points with less than two minutes to go. A height superiority which gave West Virginia the final few crucial rebounds was the difference, but eyebrows were raised and the rest of the Conference took note of a lot of youthful V. M. I. scrappers who'll be around for several seasons.

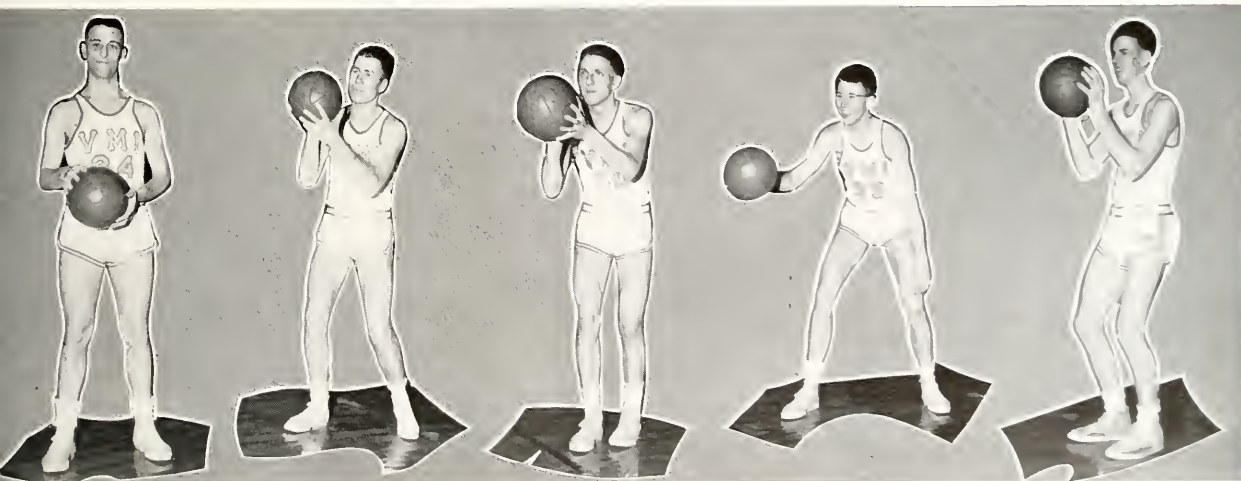
Don Nyman

Claiborne Coupland

Jim Lowe

Bob Williamson

Don Coombs





Front Row, L. to R.: Ray Mackay, Ronnie Bryan, Jim Massie, Stu Jones, Nick Servidio, Tom Massie, Jim Thornton, Bob Hubbard
 Second Row, L. to R.: Jim Skinner, Harry Warner, Happy Hogshire, Carter Fox, Dick Hunt
 Third Row, L. to R.: John Morace, Mgr., Monty Taylor, Jim McGeorge, Bill Shea, Coach Gup-ton

VARSITY WRESTLING



Coach Oscar Gup-ton
 and Captain Nick Servidio

1954-55 WRESTLING RECORD

VMI	21—Marshall College	11
VMI	14—Auburn	20
VMI	24—Davidson	8
VMI	10—Franklin & Marshall	23
VMI	13—W. Va.	19
VMI	13—Army	23
VMI	7—VPI	27
VMI	14—Citadel	16
VMI	19—N. C. State	13
VMI	8—Maryland	19
VMI	14—Virginia	11
VMI	26—U. N. C.	5
VMI	21—Duke	11



Jim Massie working for a pin



Billy Graber riding his man

Although the 1954-55 wrestling team was not able to compile a record equal to the excellent one of the previous year, the team made a good showing, whether in victory or defeat. Ending the season with a record of six wins and seven losses in dual meets, the team faced stiff competition, including such powerhouses as Army, VPI, and Maryland, throughout the whole season.

In spite of the loss of several of his top wrestlers from last year, including two Southern Conference champions, coach Oscar Guppton was able to mold a competent team which improved steadily during the season. It was chiefly through Guppton's knowledge of the sport and his skill in teaching it that the wrestlers were able to give their overall excellent performances.

The grapplers got off to a good start with wins over Marshall and Davidson in a two-day quadrangular meet. After these early season wins, the team, facing some of the toughest competition on the eastern seaboard, suffered a series of five defeats. However, the team was able to rebound and win four of the last five matches, including an exciting and close match with the University of Virginia.

In the annual Southern Conference tournament V. M. I. ended up third behind V. P. I. and West Virginia. Outstanding in the tournament was Stu Jones who won the conference championship in the 147 lb. class. Following closely behind Jones were Jimbo Thornton and the Massie brothers, Tom and Jim, all of whom won second places in their respective weights. Nick Servidio, Kirk Hubbard, and Bill

Ray Mackay



Tom Massie

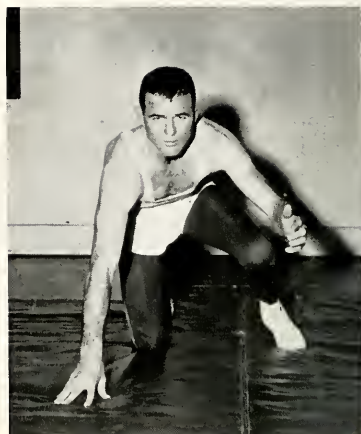


Stuart Jones





Nick Servidio



Jim Massie

Graber were able to take third place honors, and Ray Mackay ended up fourth in the 123 lb. class. Servidio, who was the Conference champion in the heavy weight division last season, and was the captain of the team this year, was hampered in the tournament by an injured shoulder.

During the season Stu Jones and Tom Massie always turned in top-notch wrestling, and were constant winners. Jim Massie made a name for himself by his fighting spirit and determination to win. Jimbo Thornton, often wrestling far out of his own weight class showed the same type of spirit. Bill

Graber, greatly improved from last year, wrestled well in all of his matches. Nick Servidio, although having several bad breaks during the season, scored many wins and most of these by pins.

Although several of the team's best wrestlers are graduating this year, there are ready replacements for them. Coach Gupton is looking forward to next year with optimism. He will have six returning lettermen to form a nucleus for the team, and he will have the able leadership, as well as the wrestling skill of next year's co-captains—Stu Jones and Tom Massie.



Jimbo Thornton



Billy Graber



RAT WRESTLING

Front Row, L. to R.: Yon, Bennett, Rea, Buzzelli, McCowan, Farmer, Griffith

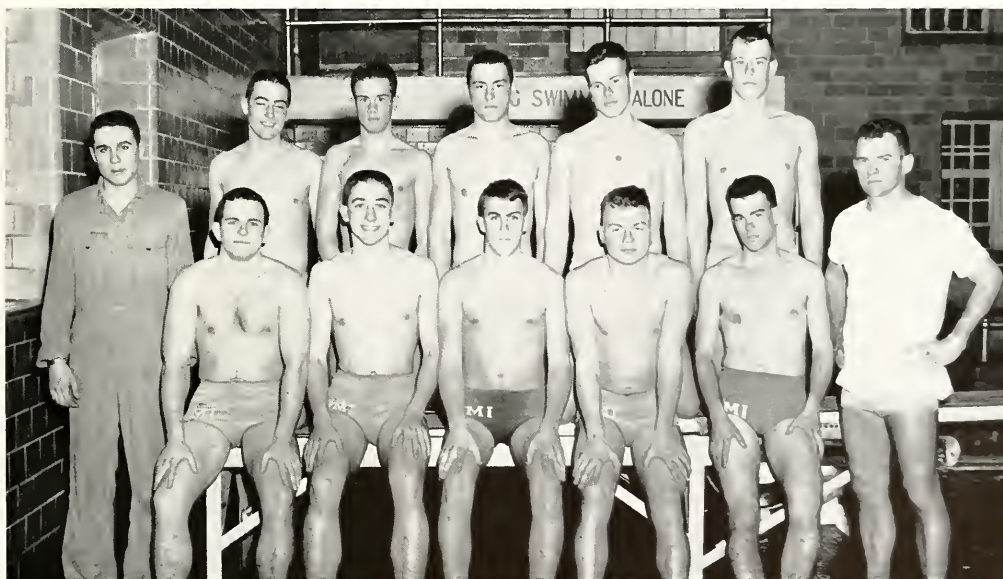
Second Row, L. to R.: Earnest, Stilwell, Janke, Woodman, Baker, Sink, Jarrett, Lowrance

Third Row, L. to R.: Coach Hefflin, Rousos, Talley, Shrieves, Bower, Armstrong, Smith, Wines, Mgr. Shattuck

RAT SWIMMING

Front Row, L. to R.: Mgr. Nicoletti, Noyes, Keefe, Johnson, Bell, Payne, Coach Campbell

Back Row, L. to R.: Kellogg, Upston, Haldeman, Schell, Grayson





Front Row, L. to R.: Bell, Hammond, McDonald, Burns, Lamb, Haas, Woodward, Blair
 Second Row, L. to R.: Stanley, Jackson, Van Fossen, Johnson, E., Waring, Ridgeley, Boxley, Moss, Thompson, Hoyt
 Third Row, L. to R.: Barthelmess (Manager), Hart, Johnson, D., Wagner, Prizzi, Alexander, Schladtitz, Spivey, Cofer, Michelson, Coach Campbell

VARSITY SWIMMING



Coach Campbell and Co-Captains Frank Boxley and Reginald Ridgeley

SEASON RECORD

V.M.I. 63	21 Catholic University
V.M.I. 44	40 University of Pennsylvania
V.M.I. 40	44 Bainbridge
V.M.I. 61	23 William & Mary
V.M.I. 69	15 West Virginia University
V.M.I. 25	57 University of Pittsburgh
V.M.I. 67	16 East Carolina
V.M.I. 61	23 V.P.I.
V.M.I. 54	30 University of Virginia

V.M.I. First place in Big Six

V.M.I. First place in Southern Conference



Dick Hoyt



Jack Stanley



Bill Van Fossen

On October 12, 1954, Coach William Campbell and over forty eager swimmers assembled at the pool below the Jackson Memorial Hall. There was the familiar command of "ready, go!", the first splash of the year, and the swimming season became an actual thing. It was again one of the most important components of the lives of those men. For another season swimming was to be their governor. Four months and 153,000 yards later those efforts and hours had paid off. An impressive mark of nine wins in eleven starts had been recorded. And again the team was resting in the position of Southern Conference and Big Six champions.

The success of the season was based largely upon the performances of Co-Captains Frank Boxley and Reg Ridgeley and juniors Dick Hoyt, Jack Stanley and Bill Van Fossen. Frank was the mainspring of

the sprints and the relay while Reg turned in 54 points as an undefeated diver for the 2nd year. Four V. M. I. records fell before the onslaught of the second class. Dick Hoyt set new marks in the individual medley and two hundred yard backstroke events and was a third of the record-setting medley relay team along with Jack Stanley and Tony Waring. Bill Van Fossen set the four hundred forty yard freestyle mark against Pennsylvania with the greatest individual endeavor of the year. Additional credit is due backstrokers Skip Thompson, Jim Hart and Joe Spivey and breaststrokers Gene Johnson, Boh Wagner, Carl Schladitz, John Michelson, and Bob Cofer. Completing the freestyle agenda are Jack Moss, Bill Alexander, Frank Hammond and Dave Johnson in the distance events and Alan Jackson, Bill Haas and John Bell in the sprints. Bill Lamb and Jack

Gene Johnson



Van Fossen and Hoyt and two new records

50 YD.	FREE STYLE	1952 24.3 F. BOXLEY 1954	1951 23.9 DREW UNC 1949	1951 24.3 SCOTT U.I.A. 1951	1949 24.3 MAYSON NC
150 YD.	IND. MED.	1952 138.6 G. HARRINGTON 1952	1951 133.2 MATTEON NCS 1949	1951 134.4 G. HARRINGTON 1951	1949 134.4 MAYSON NC
100 YD.	FREE STYLE	1946 54.3 A. HARRINGTON 1946	1951 57.7 EDWARDS UNC 1951	1951 55.6 MAYSON NC	1949 55.6 MAYSON NC
200 YD.	BACK STROKE	1954 219.1 R. HOYT 1954	1951 227.0 ARKATA NCS 1951	1951 227.0 MAYSON NC	1949 227.0 MAYSON NC
200 YD.	BREAST STROKE	1951 228.2 W. SAUM VMI 1951	1951 227.0 ARKATA NCS 1951	1951 227.0 MAYSON NC	1949 227.0 MAYSON NC
440 YD.	FREE STYLE	1951 8.078 VAN FOSSEN 1951	1951 8.078 VAN FOSSEN 1951	1951 8.078 VAN FOSSEN 1951	1949 8.078 MAYSON NC
400 YD.	FREE RELAY	1950 343.6 DREW UNC J. PHENS W. SAUM R. HARRINGTON	1951 342.1 DREW UNC J. PHENS W. SAUM R. HARRINGTON	1951 342.1 DREW UNC J. PHENS W. SAUM R. HARRINGTON	1949 342.1 DREW UNC J. PHENS W. SAUM R. HARRINGTON

Bob Cofer





Frank Boxley

Prizzi supplemented Ridgeley in the diving.

The season's opener against Catholic U. gave indications of a successful campaign. However, the 63-21 score was not to be representative of the next two weeks. The competition grew stiffer. Campbell and charges were to match times with the University of Pennsylvania and Bainbridge Naval Unit in two consecutive days. Stalwart Pennsylvania fell before the Keydets 40-44. The next day proved too much as Bainbridge came out on the better side of that same score 40-44. Easy victories over William and Mary and West Virginia University placed the team back in stride and provided time to gather resources for the Pittsburgh meet. Again though, top material and the long trip were too much. The Keydets lost by 25-57. But that defeat terminated the short end scores. Smashing, bench-cleaning wins over V. P. I.,



Skip Thompson

East Carolina and arch rivals the University of Virginia marked the end of the regular season.

The Big Six crown was retained by the V. M. I. team and the next week the Southern Conference championship was successfully defended. The story of the entire season is illustrated by the Southern Conference win. V. M. I.'s 169 points bettered second place V. P. I.'s by an even 100 points. Van Fossen and Hoyt scored triple wins and the latter was chosen by the coaches as the most valuable swimmer in the Conference.

It will be a mighty team that equals the statistical and spiritual standard set by this, the one of 1935. It will have to be one which possesses a great unity and faith between coach and swimmer. And it will instill in those men, as did this one, a powerful experience, lesson and adventure.



Jim Hart



Reg Ridgeley



Jerry Bourke, Cross Country Capt.; Coach Cormack, Bill Green, Ben Angle, Co-Captains of Outdoor and Indoor Track, Coach Read

1955 TRACK

This year's track team was led by co-captains Ben Angle and Willie Green and coached ably by Major Walter Cormack. The record made by Ben Angle will serve as an inspiration to V. M. I. trackmen for many years to come. He holds the championship in the Southern Conference and state half and quarter mile, indoors, and the Southern Conference and Big Six mile and half mile, outdoors. His records include the State AAU half and quarter mile, outdoors, the State half and quarter mile, indoors, and the all time V. M. I. half mile. The versatility of Willie Green, who was the co-captain in charge of the field men, was matched only by his enthusiasm. During his track career at V. M. I. he pole vaulted, threw the javelin, and ran the sprints and hurdles. Willie was always on hand to see that his field men, especially the Rats, were getting their workout.

To Coach Walt Cormack, however, goes the credit for the fine showings that V. M. I. cinder teams have made in the past several years. His teams have won the State, Big Six, and Southern Conference crowns in indoor and outdoor track as well as cross country. He has coached such stars as Johnny Mapp, who placed in the Nationals for two consecutive years. His teams have beaten such powers as Navy, Georgia Tech, Alabama, and Florida State for two years in the ACC non-conference indoor games. The track team and V. M. I. owe Coach Cormack a vote of thanks for the outstanding job he has done with the resources at his disposal.



Troy Carter



First Row, L. to R.: John Tonkin, Jim Crawford, Jerry Hardin, Al Jackson, Jerry Bourke, Jim Dillard, Jimmy Jean, Ben Angle, Dave Pitkethly
 Second Row, L. to R.: Lomax Gwathmey, Howard Savage, Sam Harrison, Jack Sullivan, Coach Walter B. Cormack, Manager Dan Brittigan, Alex Clark, Jerry Brohman, Frank Janke, Bill Fuller

1954 CROSS COUNTRY

The cross country team of V. M. I. lived up to its usual high standards, coming through the 1954 season with a fine record. The Harriers managed to finish the season undefeated in regular meets and with the Big Six and Southern Conference crowns. This year's cross country team, although runners like Angle and Pitkethly put in some fine showings, was not a team of individual stars but one of tremendous depth. In some meets the whole V. M. I. team crossed the finish line before the first of their opponents.

The season opened on October 2, with a meet against Richmond in which the Keydets won 15-53.

15 is the lowest possible score. The month of October saw wins over William & Mary, 16-51, V. P. I., 15-52, West Virginia, 24-36, and Virginia, 15-55. A triangular meet with Davidson and Washington and Lee ended with V. M. I. the victor, 20-44, and 19-45. The regular season ended with a second defeat of V. P. I., 17-49.

Finding the competition in this part of the country sadly lacking the Harriers of V. M. I. journeyed to East Lansing, Michigan, for the NCAA meet. Here the Keydet team finished 16th against a field made up of the strongest cross country powers in our nation.

THE STARTERS

Left to Right: Jerry Bourke, Ben Angle, Jimmy Jean, Al Jackson, Jerry Hardin, Jim Dillard, Jim Crawford, Dave Pitkethly, John Tonkin





1954-'55 INDOOR TRACK



Billy Green
Pole Vault



Carter Valentine
Hurdles



Dale Vaughn
High Jump



Troy Carter
Shot-Put



OUTDOOR TRACK

The 1954-55 track season saw V. M. I. once again fielding very strong teams both indoors and outdoors. As in the case of football the track team felt very strongly the loss of All-American Johnny Mapp. Despite this loss the thinclads surprised most people by coming up with a team possibly even better than last year's.

The indoor season began with the Keydets defeating Roanoke College by a score of 61-43. On February 5, V. M. I. held its annual Winter Relays, which, through the hard work of Coach Walt

Cormack, became one of the highlights of the indoor season in this part of the country. Although the team retained the Big Six and Southern Conference championships, the sweetest victory came in the A. C. C. meet in Chapel Hill, N. C. Here V. M. I. defeated a group of the major schools in the southeast in the non-conference division. For the second year the trackmen edged out Navy by less than two points.

On the track team this year are found not only individual stars but a reassuring amount of depth.



Billy Green over the bar



Carter Valentine takes a hurdle

There are such stalwarts as Ben Angle, the finest middle distance runner V. M. I. or the east has seen in a long while and who has run every race from the 220 yard dash to the two mile run and won most of them; Troy Carter, who is expected to reach over 50 feet in the shot put before the end of the season; and Dale Vaughn, a broad jumper who can jump over 24 feet. The field events are rounded out by Willie Green who pole vaults, throws the javelin and even runs the hurdles on occasion, Charlie Byrd tossing the discus, and John Maehen high jumping. Carter Valentine looks as if he will dominate the Southern Conference in the high and low hurdles this season and two second classmen, Hopkins and Wilson are the Keydets' dash men. As for the long distances the running of Jerry Bourke and Jimmy Jean is the team's hope for points in that department. To round out the squad Van Sessoms, Bill Higginbotham, Pete McCrary, and Jim Lowe run middle distance, while "Spike" Dillard, Jerry Harden, "Tiger" Jackson, Dave Pitkethly, and Bob Savage are found in the long distances. There are also a great number of underclassmen in the sprints and field events.

The Keydet track team with its fine individual performances and experience supplied by the first classmen and its depth and promise supplied by its large number of underclassmen got off to its usual good start with an undefeated indoor season. The outdoor season as well, shows that once again Walt Cormack has fielded a first rate team.



Ben Angle



Jerry Bourke



Hop Hopkins



Front Row, L. to R.: Trevey, Frye, Saffer, Sherry, Woolwine (Capt.), Crockett, Manus
 Second Row, L. to R.: Coach Saunders, Mgr. Kulp, Willard, Muldowney, Rhodes, McLeod, Heathcote, Perrine, Beale, Witt.
 Coach Noe

VARSIITY BASEBALL

The 1955 version of the V. M. I. baseball team proved to be a capable group of hustlers as the Keydets started their season with four successive wins. Dave Woolwine captained the team this year, and the Abingdon native was out to bring his team above last year's record of 12-6, and cop the Big Six and Southern Conference championships. Coach Chuck Noe, hailed as one of the finest young coaches in the state, found himself with a team well seated in depth, with seven returning lettermen. The team had little rebuilding to do, and a solid wall was immediately established in the outfield, with Buzz Snyder, Bob Beale, and Jack Witt. A couple of strong armed young men, Cliff Heathcote, up from the rat team and boasting a .371 average, and Sam Woolwine, an iron armed right fielder, and brother of the captain, backed these three up. The infield was one that any coach would give his eye teeth for—Gordon Crockett on first base, with Tootie Sherry and Dave Woolwine in the keystone, and Fred Willard holding down third base. All these men posted .300 plus batting averages during the 1954 season. The mound corps composed of Leftie Jim Foster, and right handers Pete Perrin, Ralph Frye, Dusty Rhodes, and Cliff Heathcote, proved to be capable chuckers during the first four games. They found sufficient battery mates in George Manus and Chuck McCleannon who shared the catching duties.

This year the team was well prepared for opening day. With twenty-one members of the squad making a trip during spring furlough to play various service teams, the team was well along the road to be a unit when the first game came around. Coach Noe and Coach Saunders are working hard to pull out the kinks and to produce a team that will stand high in the Southern Conference and Big Six competition.



Captain Woolwine and Coach Noe



Bobby Beale—Outfield



Tontie Sherry—Second Base



Gordon Crockett—First Base

Rube Fryc—Pitcher



Dave Woolwine—Short Stop





Front Row, L. to R.: St. George, Spragans, Moore, Fitzgerald, Webber, Talbot, McFadden
Second Row, L. to R.: Wiggins, Peters, Miller, Brower, Russell, Carstens, Gillespie, White

GOLF

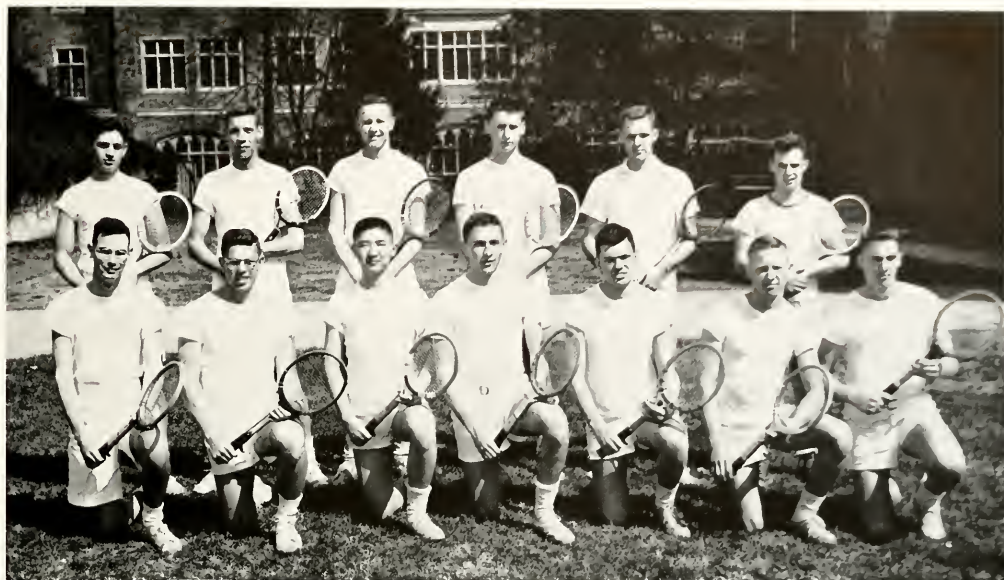
The V. M. I. golf team provided many thrills toward the end of the season after a slow start. Fielding a young and inexperienced team, they dropped their first several matches, but then the boys settled down and began to play the golf that was expected of them.

A good time and some interesting moments were had by the team at the Southern Conference Tournament in Hot Springs, in spite of a rugged course. They visited the scenic Greenbrier layout and also the courses at Farmington and Danville.

The team that played in most of the matches was composed of 4 sophomores, 2 seniors, 2 freshmen and a junior. First classman Monty White played

number one most all year and turned in several medal scores. Captain Ken Carstens played number two. Two third classmen played three and four. Doug Talbot and Phil Peters gave their opponents many interesting matches. Jim Webber and Bo Spragans, two fourth classmen, played some excellent golf and won many matches. The top six was backed up by such men as Johnny St. George, George Brower and Ben Wiggins, who all played good golf and won several matches.

With all but Carstens and White returning the prospects for next year are bright and the team should provide a winning combination.



Front Row, L. to R.: Reed, Thompson, Pai, Williamson, Abell, Heckmann, Johnson
 Second Row, L. to R.: Neuberger, Meeker, Pilley, Law, Marshall, Fraser. (Not pictured, Ted Peters)

TENNIS

V. M. I.'s tennis team led by Co-Captains Frank Pilley and Skip Thompson, and directed by Coach Clark appears to be well balanced in the early stages of the season and is looking forward to a successful campaign for the 1955 season.

Although the team feels the loss of last year's Co-Captains Jim Berry and Don Drennan, and has been handicapped by a shortage of tennis courts, the improvement of returning lettermen and the addition of several promising rats makes the picture much brighter.

The Keydets have won two matches after dropping three and they expect to continue setting a hot pace against their state rivals: V. P. I., Virginia, William and Mary, Richmond, and Lynchburg, and their out of state foes Maryland and George Wash-

ington. The team is looking for a high position in the Southern Conference tournament.

Ted Peters is currently holding down the number one position, followed by veteran Frank Pilley, Bill Stokes, Stirling Williamson, Creed Abell, and Bill Emrick; however, depth and balance in the top ten players shows a possibility of change in the ladder as the season progresses.

The team has proven more successful in singles competition than in doubles thus far, but the balance needed for a winning team is showing itself more and more. The new V. M. I. courts, now under construction, will be a valuable asset to next year's team which will be seeded with a substantial number of returning racket-wielders.



Left to Right: Jim Skinner, Jose Chioco, Captain Basil RuDusky, Charles Jundt, Bob Susnar

FENCING

The V. M. I. fencing team coached by team captain Basil RuDusky, and Jose Chioco is at the height of its performance this season. In its first three matches, V. M. I. has defeated the Augusta Military Academy by a score of 22 1/2 to 4 1/2; defeated North Carolina State by a score of 21 1/2 to 5 1/2; and won its big meet with George Washington University by a score of 22 to 5.

The grace, speed and dexterity of the flashing blades of this year's team will long be remembered by everyone. Graduating this year will be team captain Basil RuDusky, and Jim Skinner. The nucleus of next year's team will be Jose Chioco, V. M. I.'s foil star, and Chuck Jundt.

VARSITY RIFLE TEAM

The Varsity rifle team had another outstanding year at the Institute, and although they will lose many of their best marksmen with this year's retiring first class, they should be strong in the coming years with a crop of rats to build on. Barney Lawless, Dave Campbell, Hans Leipold, Tom Barrett, Mich Pettyjohn, Bill Greig, and Bob Bowden will leave the team this year and the strength which they provided by their deadly marksmanship against the best teams in the country during the past four years, will undoubtedly be missed in the future.

Front Row, L. to R.: Leipold, Campbell, Barrett, Pettyjohn
Second Row, L. to R.: Culver, Schweitzer, Lawless, Greig, Edgar





The Activities

ACTIVITIES—whether it means a dance, a club or a publication, VMI has not lacked men who are active in extra-curricular activities. Despite the fact that we have to use our free time for them, the cadet activities at VMI have those men who participate and work unselfishly, in the interest of their fellow cadets.



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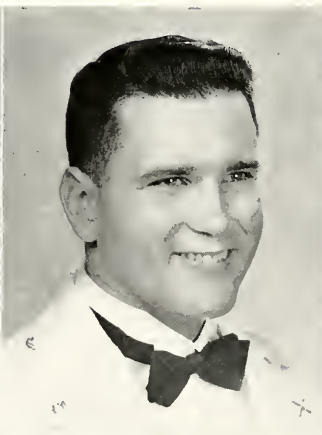
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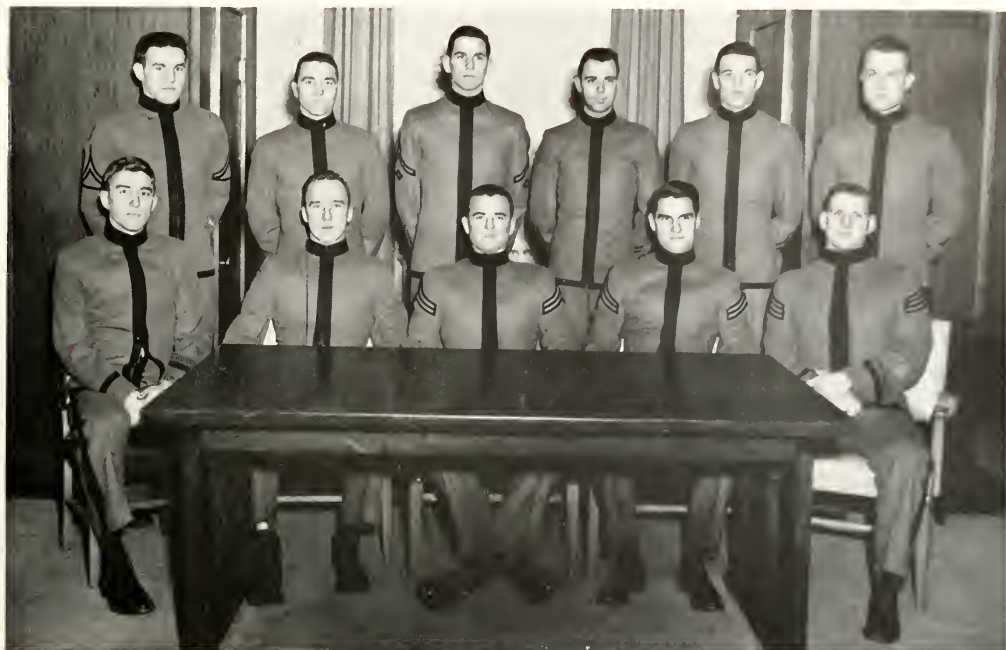
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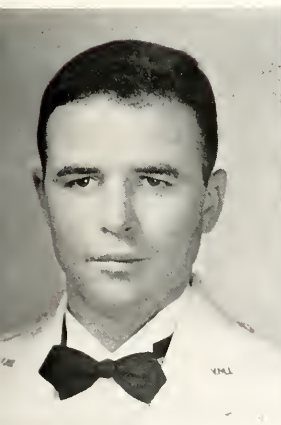
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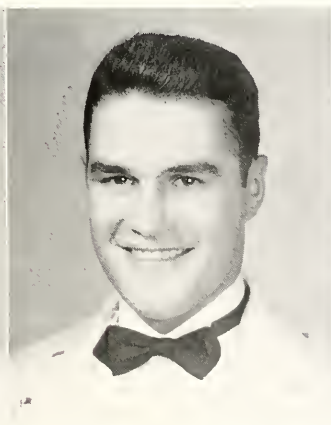


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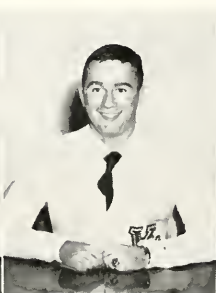
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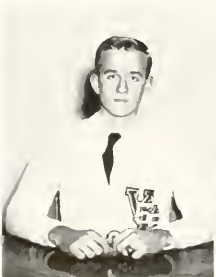
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One of our better known organizations at V. M. I. is the Glee Club. Led and directed by Colonel H. N. Dillard, the Glee Club has presented performances that were beyond comparison. This year our Glee Club was honored to present a concert for the President of the United States.





HOP COMMITTEE

The Hop Committee is the organization responsible for the beautiful dances and fine bands that we have enjoyed at V. M. I. in the past year. Advised by Lt. Colonel C. C. Tutwiler and led by Bill Fulgham, Reg Ridgeley, Marty Bregman, and Jim Hart, the Hop Committee has done an outstanding job in the past year.





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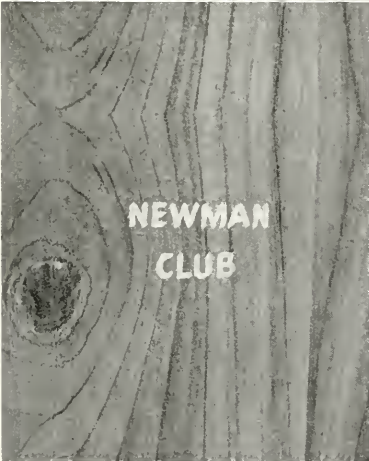


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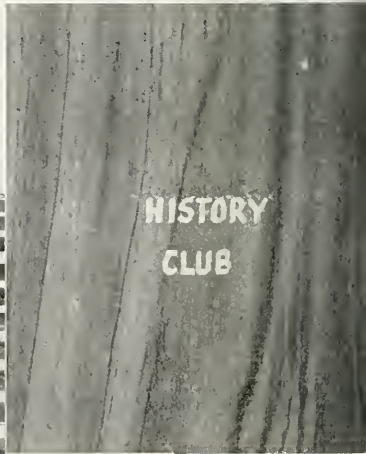
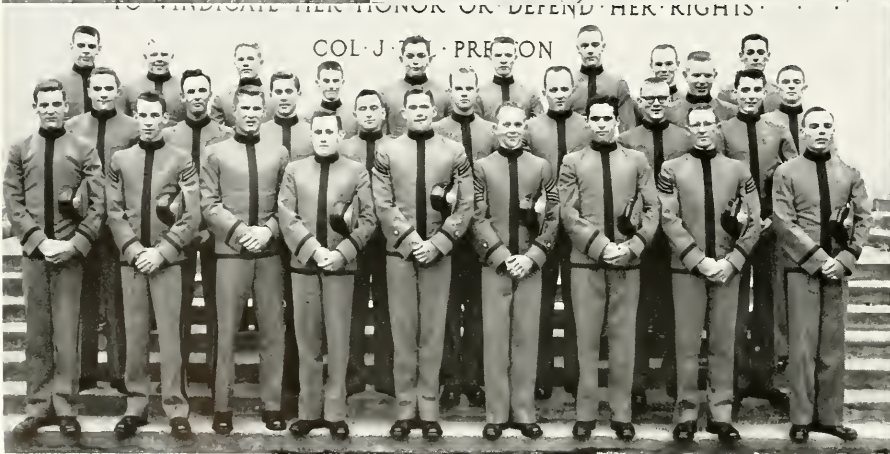




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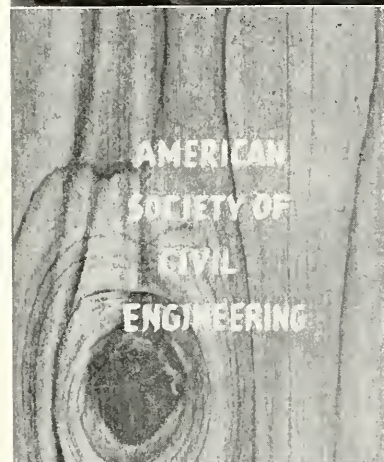
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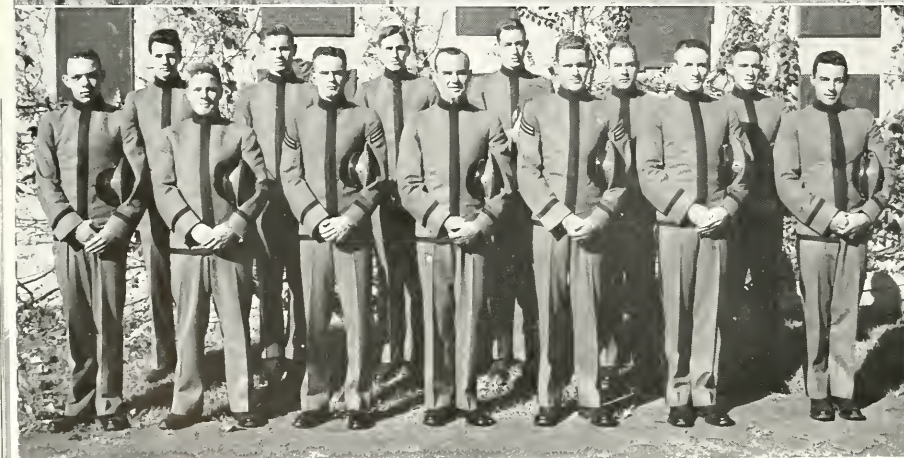




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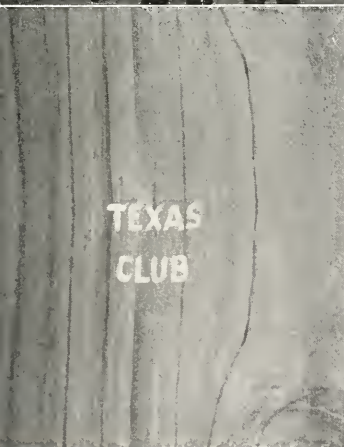


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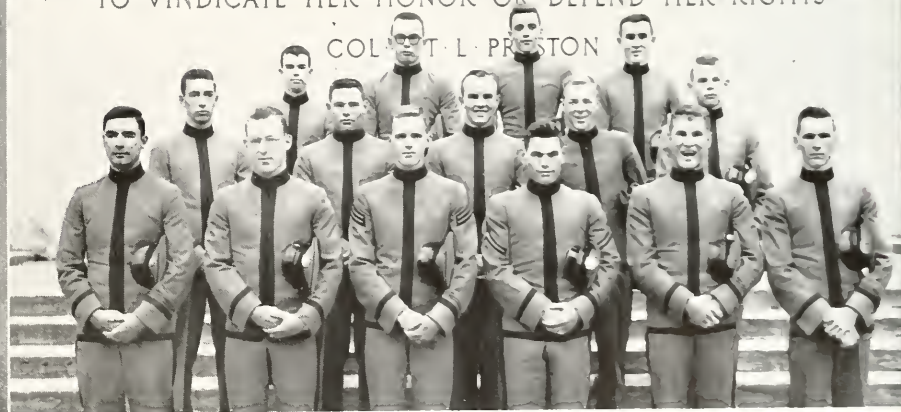
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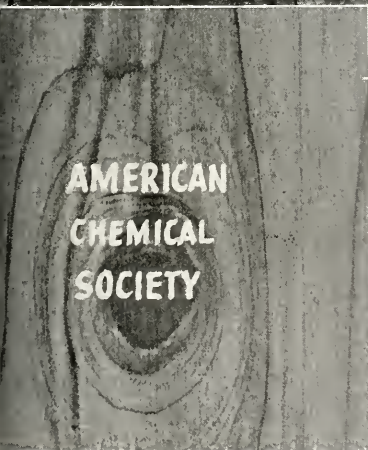
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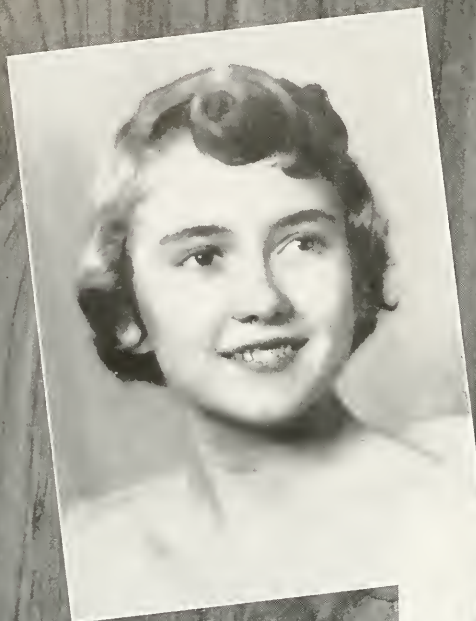
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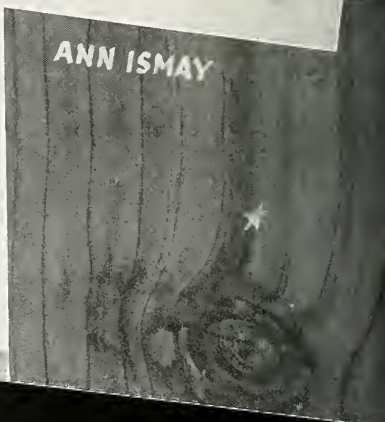
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*The Institute has for generations loomed large
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*"Scotty" was a great-grandson of General Scott Shipp
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at the Battle of New Market
and was the Institute's second Superintendent.*

*He served his country with the Marine Corps in Korea
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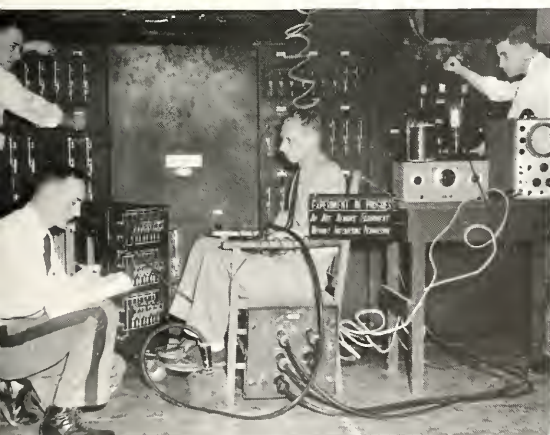
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To be or not to be

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1. Due to the present world crisis which has caused a need for more manpower, the Board of Visitors has authorized any cadet who has his privileges and is seventeen years old or over to be married and live in barracks with his wife.
2. All wives must conform to V. M. I. regulations as prescribed in The Bluebook.
3. The V. M. I. rat line will still be in effect and upperclassmen may require rats and their wives to do any task they deem necessary.
4. All wives' laundry will be properly marked by their husbands.
5. Children of married cadets will attend Col. Marr's Sunday School class.
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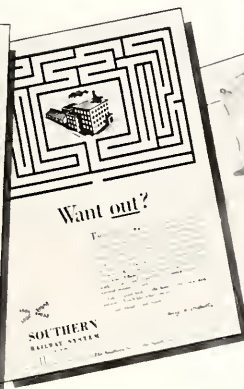
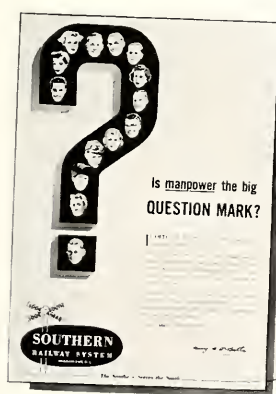
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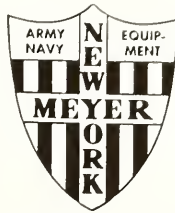
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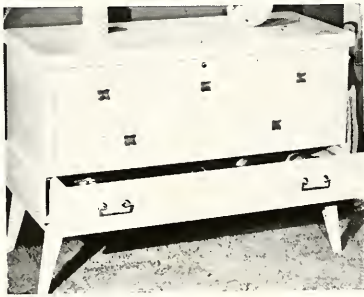
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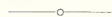
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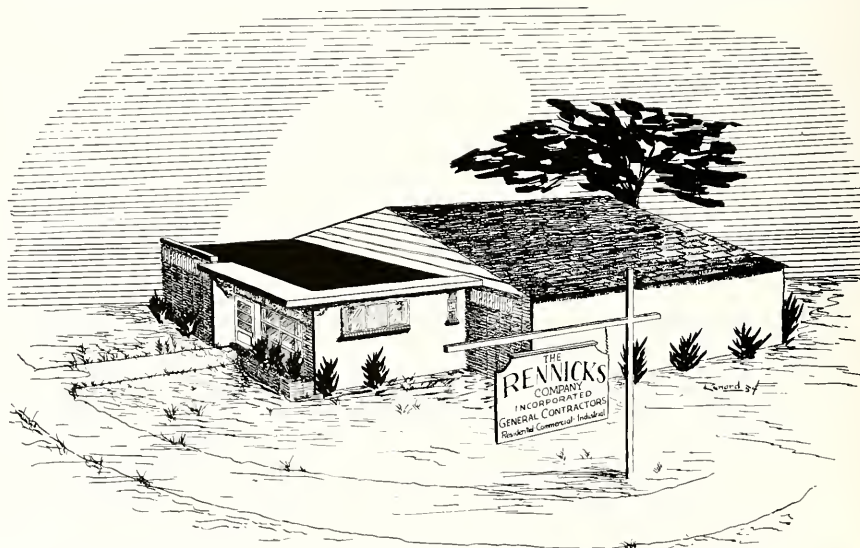
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